

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Starke Moss VAS775

vs1 11VA

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

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I do certify that Stark Moose [sic] was a Seaman and afterwards a midshipman in the Virginia State Navy and in or about the year 1782 previous to the close of the war was killed in Hampton. Given under my hand & seal this 14th April 1831

S/ Benjamin Hatton

Sworn to before me, and Alderman of the Borough of Norfolk, this 14th day April 1831

S/ Geo. T. Kenny [????]

Alderman

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To the Governor of Virginia

Your petitioners John Moss & others nephew & nieces of Stark Moss respectfully state That their uncle Stark Moss was a midshipman of the Virginia State Navy in the war of the Revolution & they never received his Bounty of Land, to which they became entitled on account of his services in the War, no land Bounty having been ever allowed –

Mr. Singleton who was an officer of the Navy testified to his services & says that he understood he became a midshipman.

Mr. Hatton swears positively that he was a midshipman & died in service in 1782. –

The records show that his depreciation was drawn as a Carpenter – which is to be explained no doubt by the fact that he was a Carpenter most of his time & became a midshipman shortly before his death & after the Government ceased to pay the officers in depreciated money in 1780 –

The land Bounty is respectfully solicited.

S/ A. M. Green

for the petitioners

Mr. Hatton is a highly respectable man in Norfolk & if evidence of his veracity be wanting – it can be got.

It does not appear by the records of the Land Office of Virginia that a Military Warrant ever issued from the said office on account of the services of Stark Moss.

Teste

S/ Wm Selden, A. L. Off. Nov. 4, 1831