

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Records of James Hamilton BLWt1080-200

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Transcribed by Will Graves

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[cover sheet]

VA. Hamilton, James

B.L. Wt. 1080-200—Lieut.
Issued May 19, 1797 to
George Matthews, assignee
No Papers

[Transcriber's Note: the file contains the normal response correspondence indicating that the records relating to this claim were destroyed by the burning of the War Office in November 1800.]

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Addendum to James Hamilton BLWt1080-200

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 16 April 2020.

[The following from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) assumed to pertain to the Lt. James Hamilton who received bounty land from the federal government, because both refer to Col. George Mathews. The file also contains an illegible copy of a discharge signed by Lt Col Richard Campbell (BLWt347-450) (who was killed in battle on 8 Sep 1781) and Brig Gen James Wood (BLWt2419-500). The quality of the transcribed images is poor.]

rec'd 16 Jan'y 1811
Georgia }
Oglethorpe County }

I do hereby certify that James Hamilton served as a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental Line in the service of the United States for seven years [undeciphered] for which time he is entitled to [undeciphered] as first Lieutenant in said service.

Given under my hand this 4 day of August [undeciphered year]

Geo Mathews [George Mathews VAS520] Col
of the Late 3^d V.R.

attest/ Chas Mathews [Charles Mathews]
[undeciphered]/ the Executive,/ the Governor of Virginia

It appears by the books in this office that James Hamilton has drawn as a Lieut. for 3 years service
Land Off/ 16 Jan'y 1811 Chas Blagrove Reg'r

NOTE: The Lt. James Hamilton who received land for three-years service may be the one transcribed as VAS3802, who entered service in 1777.