

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Records of William McClure BLWt130-400

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Know all Men by these presents that I William McClure of Craven County and State of North Carolina late a Regimental Surgeon in the Continental line of the State aforesaid in the service of the United States during the late War with Great Britain do hereby nominate appoint make ordain and constitute Isaac Cole of the County and State aforesaid my true and lawful attorney to ask for and receive at the War Office or any other place, a Bounty Warrant for Land due me as Surgeon aforesaid and do also empower him the aforesaid Isaac Cole attorney or attorneys under him to make touching the premises herein Ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney or attorneys under him may do hereby. Witness my hand and Seal at Newbern [sic, New Bern] in the County and State above mentioned June 7th 1800

Witness

S/ F. Lowthorp

S/ W. McClure

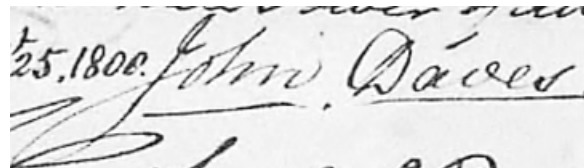


State of North Carolina Craven County

Personally appeared before me Francis Lowthorp one of the Justices of the Court of the County of Craven, in the State of North Carolina, John Daves¹ who deposes that he knew the within named William McClure to be a Surgeon in the 2nd Regiment in the North Carolina line in the War with Great Britain, and that he is positive to his being the same as represented in the within Power of Attorney.

Sworn before me August 25, 1800.

S/ John Daves



¹ FPA BLWt610-300 Capt. issued Dec. 31, 1798 or 1788 No papers.

S/ F. Lawthorp, JP

I do hereby certify that I have been acquainted with William McClure who has signed the within power of Attorney since the year 1781, when he returned from South Carolina, having been taken a prisoner in the City of Charleston when it surrendered to the British [Charleston South Carolina filter the British on May 12, 1780]² & then understood that he was a Surgeon to one of the North Carolina Regiments. I do further certify that Francis Lowthorp is a Justice of the peace for Craven County -- And that John Daves who has signed the annexed deposition was at the conclusion of the Revolution a Capt. in the North Carolina line of Continental troops.

Given under my hand at New Bern in Craven County North Carolina this 3rd September 1800

S/ Rich'd Dobbs Spaight³

[Richard Dobbs Spaight, Member of Congress from NC]

² <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/>

³ SPAIGHT, Richard Dobbs, (1758 - 1802)

SPAIGHT, Richard Dobbs, (father of Richard Dobbs Spaight, Jr., and grandfather of Richard Spaight Donnell), a Delegate and a Representative from North Carolina; born in New Bern, N.C., March 25, 1758; received his early schooling in Ireland and attended the University of Glasgow in Scotland; returned home in 1778 and joined the Continental Army as aide-de-camp to General Caswell; member of the North Carolina House of Commons 1779-1783; Member of the Continental Congress 1783-1785; delegate to the Constitutional Convention at Philadelphia in 1787, and signed the Constitution; delegate to the state ratification convention in 1788; governor of North Carolina 1792-1795; elected as a Republican to the Fifth Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Nathan Bryan; reelected as a Republican to the Sixth Congress and served from December 10, 1798, to March 3, 1801; member of the state senate in 1801 and 1802; was wounded in a duel with John Stanly, his successor in Congress, from the effects of which he died on September 6, 1802, in New Bern, N.C.; interment in the family sepulcher at "Clermont," near New Bern, N.C.

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