Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant of Presley Neville (Nevill) BLWt1596-300 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris VA

[The federal file jacket is inscribed as follows:

"Nevill, Presley B.L.Wt.1596-300 - Capt/ Issued Mar. 31, 1796/ No papers"

Unlike his father, Col. John Nevill, Presley Neville apparently signed his surname with two e's: compare, for example, the White Plains Arrangement and the pension application of Peter Demoss S10558.

The federal file contains no original document, but the following are in the bounty-warrant files of the Library of Virginia:]

War Office Richmond Nov'r. 7th 1782.

I do certify that Lieutenant Colo Presley Nevill is entitled to such a proportion of land as is allowed by the law of the State to an Officer of his rank who has been in the army as an officer from August 1775 to this date agreeable to a certificate lodged in this office. William Davies A warrant for 7000 acres issued to Presley Nevill the 24th of November 1782. (Wt. No 18.) [Certified copy.]

To The Governor of Virginia

The Petition of Morgan Neville for himself & the other heirs of Lt. Col. Presley Neville respectfully states That said Presley Neville was an officer in his father Capt John Nolens [sic] Company at least as early as the 7th of August 1775 – see printed Journals of Convention of that day page 12 – & continued in service (having been appointed a [Brevet] Col 27 Oct 78; see Journal Congress) to the end of the war being a supernumerary officer in Nov 1782 an allowance of land was made to him from August '75 to this date – he rec'd. for 7 years only – when at that date he had been 7 years & 3 months in service. he remained a supernumery for 1 year afterward.

Your petitioner asks an allowance from 1 Aug '75 to 3 Nov '83 deducting the quantity rec'd. Respectfully submitted by Morgan Neville by his attorney Tho Green

Lt. Colo. Presley Neville for additional land
Reg'd May 1 1838
Additional bounty land for one year and two months in Continental line./ DC
Allowed/ March 18, 1840./ Cert. iss'd.