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Bounty Land Claim relating to Augustine Slaughter BLWt2168-400

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To the Honorable the Speaker and House of Delegates

The petition of Augustine Slaughter hereby sheweth

That your petitioner served as Surgeon to the 7th Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment from its first formation until February 20th 1779 at which period a reduction of the number of Regiments took place, & it was incorporated with some others. This necessarily produced Supernumerary Officers among which was your petitioner.

The intention of this petition is to request your honors to grant your petitioner his proportion of Land as Surgeon to said Regiment & he will as in duty bound ever pray &c.

Richmond November 3, 1784

The foregoing is a true copy from the original of a Petition filed in this office

February 26 1835

S/ George W Mumford C. H. D.

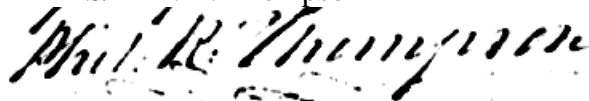
District of Columbia County of Washington

I, Philip R. Thompson devisee of Doctor Augustin Slaughter do, upon oath, testify and declare, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that said Augustin Slaughter did entered the service in 1776, for the term of the war and served as Surgeon in the Regiment No. 7 under the command of Colonel ___ of the Virginia Continental line; and that he continued in the service aforesaid until February 1779 when he became a supernumerary.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to said Augustin Slaughter – on the part of the United States; nor do I believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever;

Witness my hand and seal this 7th day of February 1837

S/ Phil. R. Thompson



[p 4: Deed dated June 1, 1815 from John F. Slaughter, as legatee of Doctor Augustine Slaughter, conveyed all of his right title and interest in the estate of Doctor Augustine Slaughter to Philip R Thompson for the sum of \$6000.]

[p 8: Last will and testament dated Nov. 23, 1814 of Augustine Slaughter of the Burrough of Norfolk in which he emancipated his Negro man slave Will or Billy and directs that he be paid \$60 per year during his life; further he emancipated his Negro man slave York and directed that he be paid the sum of \$40 per annum for life; and he emancipated his Negro man slave Stephen and directed that he be paid \$40 per year for life; he names his brother Robert Slaughter of Culpeper County; he names Robert Fields Slaughter, who married a daughter of his brother Robert Slaughter as a devisee; he names his sister Elizabeth Hamersly as a devisee; he names his sister Mary Ann Patton as a devisee; he made a gift to Colonel John Nivirson and Wm F. Nivison as devisees; finally he named Philip Roots Thompson of Culpeper as his residual devisee.]

The [Virginia State Library](#) contains a 9 page file dealing with the bounty land claim of Doctor Augustin Slaughter among which is the following document:

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia *Continental* Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the *20th* day of *March* 1783, in the name of *Augustine Slaughter* as *Surgeon* for *£357. 2. 0*, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to *himself* and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Soldit. pay as Surgeon to 7th Virginia Regiment from 1st Jan'y 74 to 20th Feby 1779.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this *18th* day of *January* 1837.

John Heath AUDITOR.

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Addendum to Augustine Slaughter BLWt2168-400

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 4 June 2021.

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Slaughter, Augustin.]

Extract from the Journal of the House of Delegates of November 4th 1784.

Mr Carter Henry Harrison reported, from the Committee of Propositions and Grievance, that the Committee had, according to order, had under their consideration the petition of Augustin Slaughter, to them referred, and had agreed upon a report and come to a Resolution

thereupon, which he read in his place, and afterwards delivered in at the Clerk's table, where the same was again twice read, and agreed to by the House as followeth:

It appears to your Committee, that the petitioner entered into the service as Surgeon to the 7th Virginia regiment in April 1776, and continued therein until the month of February 1779, when by an arrangement of the Army, he became a Supernumerary Surgeon: It further appears to your Committee, that the petitioner, whilst this state was invaded by the British army, was repeatedly in service as Surgeon to the Militia ordered out on duty:

Resolved, that it is the opinion of this Committee, that the petition of the said Augustin Slaughter, praying that a bounty in lands may be granted him, is reasonable, and that he be allowed the like quantity as is by law given to a Surgeon.

Ordered, that Mr. Carter Henry Harrison do carry the Resolution to the Senate, and desire their concurrence.

November 19th 1784.

A message from the Senate by Mr Brown.

Mr Speaker. The Senate have agreed to the Resolutions allowing a bounty in lands to William Finnie and Augustin Slaughter; allowing James Gilmer a sum of money for liquidating the claim of David Jones; granting a military certificate to James Skurlock; and for remitting the interest and damages upon a judgment against William Mason. And then he withdrew.

To his Excellency the Governor and Honorable Council of the Commonwealth of Virginia; Philip Rootes Thompson respectfully represents; That he is the residuary devisee of Doctor Augustin Slaughter, Surgeon of the 7th Virginia Regiment during the war of the revolution. That his Devisor entered the service the 1st of April 1776 and served in the Regular army untill the 20th of February 1779 when owing to an arrangement of the army he became a supernumerary, but was repeatedly in the service [several undeciphered lines] has received from the state his bounty land of 6000 acres, and his representative has received the bounty land of the United States under the act of the 15th of April 1806 and is entitled to the additional bounty-land granted to officers and soldiers by the State of Virginia who served during the revolutionary war, which this applicant respectfully solicits the executive to direct may be issued to him in the usual form &c.

The heirs of Augustin Slaughter are allowed eighteen months additional bounty land for the services of their ancestor as a Surgeon in the Continental line D Campbell [Gov. David Campbell]