

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant of John Belfield BLWt254-400 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 30 June 2014.

[The file jacket is inscribed as follows:]

Va. Belfield John. B.L.Wt.254-400 – Major
Issued Dec. 11, 1797/ No papers.

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I Certify upon Honour that I served in the first Regiment of Cavalry from June One thousand seven hundred & seventy six till January 1783
November 1st 1783. J. BELFIELD
Maj/r. Cavalry

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Belfield", is positioned to the right of the typed name in the previous block.

I do certify that John Belfield was appointed in 1776 a Lieutenant in the cavalry afterwards commanded by Col. [Theodorick] Bland & that he said Belfield [illegible word] in service to the end of the war
Given under my hand [several illegible words] 3rd day of [illegible] 1784
[signed] henry Lee/ late Lt. Colo. Com Legion

I do hereby certify that John Belfield late of the County of Richmond deceased, was appointed in June 1776 a Leiutenant in my troop of cavalry [illegible word] & that he served to the end of the war, being promoted to a Captaincy & afterward to the best of my recollection to a majority. Sept. 24th 1807
[signed] henry Lee/ late Lt. Colo. Com't. P[artisan] Legion.

NOTE: The state file also contains Belfield's commission signed by Gov. Patrick Henry some time in 1776, but the online image is illegible.