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Bounty Land Warrant of Robert Beale BLWt263-300 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 27 June 2014.

[The empty file jacket is inscribed as follows:]

Va. Beale, Robert B.L.Wt.263-300 – Capt.
Issued Feb. 5, 1794 to Robert Means assignee./ No papers
(see B.L.Wt431-300)

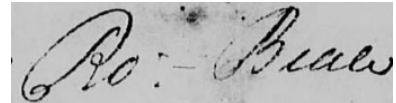
[The following letter by Robert Beale is from the file of Robert Beall BLWt431-300.]

Sir Madison Virginia Dec'r. 5th 1801

A letter of yours addressed to Rich'd Fry and Churchill Gibbs has been handed to me to answer – being better acquainted with the circumstances. The Warrant [for bounty land] to which I was entitled for military services was as you mention assigned to Mr. Means in the year 1793 —

The seeming mystery that envelopes the officer is simply that there were at the conclusion of the War two Rob't Beales, who were Captains – of course entitled to the same quantity of Land. When I was first acquainted with the gentleman, who you say died in the year 1790 – he spelt his name Bele, but before the conclusion of the War he changed it to Beale [sic] – which created some little Difficulty in the final settlement of our accts with the U. States but that was easily done away being both then upon the spot – the Gentleman I have not seen since – he lived west of the blue ridge – You have made a mistake in the christian name of Fry – it is Reuben instead of Rich'd – both him & Gibbs are still living, and neighbours to me – I conceive you have little else to do than to examine the Muster Rolls of the year 1780 or 1781 or indeed 1783, which I suppose are deposited in the Office of War – and you will there find what I report, and shewing it to the proper Department for the settlement of that business – there can be little doubt of your obtaining the warrant you wish for — I am sir with every sentiment of Respect

Yr Obe't Serv't



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

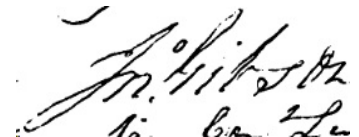
I do certify that Capt. Robert Beale of the 3^d Contineltal Virginia Regiment is now in the service of the United States and has been in the Virginia Contineltal Line as an Officer ever since 10th Febuary 1776 March 25th 1783 [signed John Gibson] Jno Gibson Colo.

[The following is indexed under Bealle, Robert.]

I do hereby Certify that Cap't Robt Bealle was Appointed [several illegible words] year 1776 on Continental service until the year 1781 when he became Supernumary [sic: supernumerary: with insufficient troops for a command].

Richmond J[?] 17th
1783 (7th)

Jno. Gibson Colo.
Vir Con Line



[Copy of the above:]

I do hereby Certify that Capt Robert Bealle was appointed an Officer in the Virg Line on Cont'l Establishment in the year 1776 and Continued in Service until the year 1781 when he became Supernumerary

Richmond June 17
1783 (7th)

Jno Gibson Colo
Vir Con Line

Council Chamber Mar 26: 1783 Capt Rob Beale
allowed the proportion for Service from 10th Feb 1776 to this day
Warrant No 198 4666²/₃ Acres

Council Chamber June 17: 1783 Capt Rob Bealle
Allowed the proportion for 3 years Service
Warrant No 853 4000

two Military land Warrants have issued as above Stated. Wm. Price Regr

I do certify that I was well acquainted with the late Capt. Robert Beall, who belonged to 8th Virginia Regiment afterwards to the 13th, and lastly to the 9th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment. he was an officer of Great merit and I feel a Confident persuasion that he was entitled to all the emoluments of an officer serving to the end of war I can affirm that he was never disgraced & firmly believe he did not Resign

If he served to the end of the war he is entitled to the additional bounty in Lands from the State of Virginia

Given under my hand this 27th day of June 1803

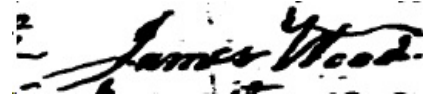
James Wood formerly B Gen'l. Cont'l army

The above is a true Copy from the original/ Wm Steele/ Feb'y. 28th 1808

The within is a correct copy of a Certificate formerly given by me. There were two Capt Robert Beale's one of whom spelt his name "Beall" and the other "Beale." Capt Robert Beale, I think, belonged to the [illegible] Regiment, and is now living as I have been [illegible word], in the County of Madison. Robert Beall deceased, was formerly an inhabitant of the western waters, not far from Pittsburg, was first appointed to the 8th, to the best of my recollection early in 1776, and was afterwards appointed a Captain in the 13th

[signed] James Wood.

Teste George Clark June 4th 1808



Frederick County 23 July 1808

I hereby certify that Major Robert Beale now of the County of Madison Entered into the Service of the United States in the 5th Virg'a Reg't on Continental Establishment as an Ensign (to the best of my Recollection) in January 1776 & continued in the service untill the End of the Revolutionary War at which Time he Bore the Rank of a Captain

Thomas Parker/ Formerly a Captain
in the Revolutionary army