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Bounty Land Warrant of Francis Dade BLWt606-200      VA  
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[The federal file contains no papers, but the jacket bears the following note: "B.L.Wt.606-200. Lieut. Issued July 5, 1799 to Laurence Dade, Francis Dade, Nolly Dade, the only surviving children and heirs (minors)." This Lieutenant Francis Dade is apparently the same person referred to as a Captain in the following documents, probably for the reason stated in the first one, which is from the [bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia](#).]

I do hereby Certify that Capt. Francis Dade was appointed an officer in the late 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment of Light Dragoons the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 1778 Capt. Dade in the last arrangement was left out through mistake Capts. [Peregrine] Fitzhugh & [John] Kilty who were younger Officers were arranged before him; one of the above mentioned Gentlemen is only entitled to a Lieutenantancy      George Baylor Colo.  
Fred'burg [Fredericksburg] Octob'r. the 9<sup>th</sup> 1783      of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Cavalry

[The following are among [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#):]

War Department/ Pension Office/ March 27 1833

I Certify that it appears from a list of Virginia Continental Officers who received certificates for one and two years advanced pay agreeably to the act of the General Assembly of said State passed November Session 1781, that Francis Dade, a Lieutenant of Cavalry, received a certificate for £138 Virginia currency on the 22<sup>d</sup> November 1782; and it also appears from a list of Officers who received certificates for the balance of their full pay agreeably to an act of said Legislature passed November Session 1781 that Francis Dade a Lieut. of Cavalry, received a certificate on the 28<sup>th</sup> May for £214.4.8 Virginia Currency.

This Office furnishes no further proof of the service of said Dade.      J. L. Edwards  
Com'r. of Pensions

I do hereby Certify that Capt. Francis Dade was an officer in Colo. William Washington's Reg't of Cavalry. That I served with him and was well acquainted with him and that he continued in service untill the end of the War – Given under my hand this 22<sup>d</sup> day of March 1833

Dudley Digges [pension application S8328]

Department of War/ Bounty Land Office/ March 26<sup>th</sup> 1833

Sir [John Campbell Esq'r, Treasury Dept].      Upon examination of the list of Officers of the Virginia Continental line on file in this Department it appears that, the name of Francis Dade is returned thereon, as a Lieutenant of Dragoons, and among those designated as being in service at the close of the War of the Revolution. It also appears that, his claim upon the U. States, for bounty land was satisfied by the issue of a Land-Warrant to his heirs on the 5 July 1779.

The records of this Office furnish no information in relation to the period at which Lieut. Dade entered the service, or of the precise period at which he left it, other than what is above stated.

Respectfully Yours/ Wm. Gordon

My Dear Sir [William Selden/ Register, Land Office, Richmond]      Orange/ 3<sup>rd</sup> Ap'l. 1833

May I ask the favor of you to lay the enclosed papers before the Executive [Gov. John Floyd], as evidence in support of this the application for additional land due the Heirs of Capt. Francis Dade of the Revolutionary Army of whom I am one, should the claim be allowed I will show by the authenticated

will of my Father who are the heirs and entitled to receive from your Office the warrant. In addition to the evidence from Washington is the affidavit of Cap Dudley Diggs a gentleman of unquestionable truth. I expect to set out for Kentucky by the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month should my claim be acted upon promptly it would be a particular favor. Your office will show that a warrant for 4000 acres, only has been issued, the proportion of which for additional time of service, the Executive are informed of.

I am sorry to trouble you but presume upon our long subsisting friendship for my apology.

With great respect your Friend &c/ Lau'e. T Dade

Land Office/ Richmond 20[?] Ap 33

Sir [His Excellency Governor Floyd] The enclosed Letter from General Dade will apprise you of the desire of that Gentleman to have the application for land bounty to the Heirs of Capt. Fr Dade decided as soon as practicable. Very res'tly/ yr obt St/ W Selden