

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant of John Drew BLWt981-100
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Mr. Pleasant/ Dr Sir – Bent Creek [possibly Appomattox County] Virginia, February 22^d 1821

Having a little business in the City of Washington and you being an old acquaintance and a friend, I have taken the liberty of troubling you, if you will be kind enough to undertake it for me, In or about the year 1791 to the best of my recollection there was a special act of Congress took place allowing to a Certain set of Officers &c belonging to the old revolutionary war a quantity of land, in addition to what they had formerly drawn, My brother John Drew was on of this number, and never drew his proportion allotted to him by the act, as he died in a few years after the act of Congress took place, and never was married. I have inclosed in this the proper Certificates proving my self to be the brother &c of John Drew, You will recollect that my Brother John was an officer in the old war, You will be kind enough to inform the Register or the Gentleman that has the issuing of those warrants that you are well acquainted with my self, and also was with my brother John Drew who was an officer under the old Continental establishment, You will be kind enough to obtain the proper vouchers for me to obtain the land, as soon as you receive this and forward them on to this place pr. Mail to me, I must inform you that this act of Congress expiring on the third or the fourth of the coming month, that being the case push it immediately, I think that this act of Congress allows two dollars pr. acre to the claimant or the land, if the two dollars pr. acre can be drawn in lue of the land draw that, and forward it as above directed and you complying with the above request will greatly oblige your old acqut./ & Friend/ Cary Drew

At a Court of Hustings for the City of Richmond held at the City Hall, the 27th day of February 1821. A Certificate under the hand and seal of William Price, stating that Cary Drew is a brother and legal representative of John Drew who was an Officer in the revolutionary War, was sworn to by the said Price in open Court, and ordered to be recorded, in these words;
“I William Price of the City Richmond and State of Virginia do certify upon oath that Cary Drew is a brother and legal representative of John Drew who was an Officer in Colo. [Charles] Harrison’s Regiment of of Artillery during the revolution war and died some few years after the close of the said war.

Given under my hand and seal this 27th day of February 1821. William Price

[The following is among the [bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia](#). Parts are illegible in the online image at the places marked *.]

I certify that Lt. Jno Drew was appointed [*] Rank in the 1st Reg’t. of Artillery the [*] 1781 and Continued such until the end[?] [*] War. Ed. Carring[*]/ L. C. [*]
Dec’r. 21 1783 [month and date not clear] [Edward Carrington Lt. Col.]