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Pension Application of John Vaughan R18674

VA Half Pay

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

The Commonwealth of Virginia to

John Vaughan gentleman greeting

Know you that from the special trust & courage activity & good conduct our Governour with the advice of the Council of State doth hereby constitute and appoint you the said John Vaughn a Lieut. to rank from the Twenty fourth day of July seventeen hundred & seventy nine in Col Jones Reg'mnt in the Forces of this Commonwealth. In testimony whereof these our Letters are made patent.

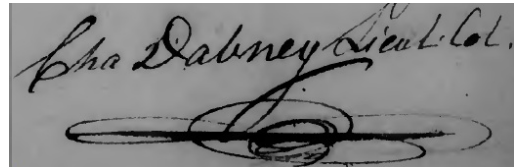
Witness Thomas Jefferson Esquire our said Governour at Wms'burg on the seventh Day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty. Th Jefferson

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Hanover Jan'y 17th 1783

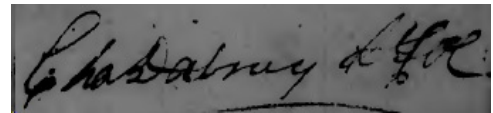
This may Certify that Lieut. John Vaughan formerly of the State Garrison Regim't. apply'd to me soon after the arrangem't. of the State Troops the year 1781 and express'd a desire to be continue'd in service, That I inform'd him If any of the Officers who were order'd to join my Regim't. shou'd fail to attend, it was probable I shou'd call on him, in the December following I saw Leut. Vaughan and told him If he join'd the Core in any short time he shou'd have a command, which he fail'd to do. The reason of which he informs me was, his hearing that a new arrangem't. wou'd take palce in the February following. From the above state of facts, Lieut. Vaughan thinks he ought to be consider'd and officer in service, 'till the arrangem't. of the State Legion [Charles Dabney's Virginia State Legion, authorized 18 Jan 1782].

Cha Dabney Lieut. Col. [pension application R13624]



Rich'd. Jan'y 23^d 1783

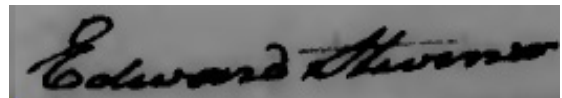
This may Certify that John Vaughan has been an Officer in service from the 20th Octob'r 1778 till the 5th day Feb'y 1781.



I have for many years by past been acquainted with Lieut. John Vaughan, all of which time he has supported the Character of a Gentleman and that of an honest man, And I never heard any thing that was prejudicial of him or his Family Given from under my hand this 19th day of June 1783

Edward Stevens

[Gen. Edward Stevens of the Virginia Militia]



I do hereby certify that Jno. Vaughn inlisted in a Minute Company under me in Oct. 1775
[Thomas Lomax]

A rectangular image showing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tho. Lomax". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[The following is from the federal pension file.]

No. 66,410 Treasury Department
Auditors Office 19 November, 1834

I hereby certify that I have examined and adjusted an account between the United States and John Vaughan a Lieutenant in the State Garrison Regiment in the Virginia Line (Commanded by Col. George Muter) in the Revolutionary War, and find that the sum of One thousand, Eight hundred & forty five Dollars and four cents is due from the United States unto Robert Hord, Attorney of Hiram Hord, administrator de bonis non, on his Estate, being the amount of his half pay from the 22 April 1783 to the 1st November 1794 to be paid in pursuance of the third section of an act of Congress "to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia" approved, July 5, 1832 – as appears from the Statement and vouchers herewith transmitted for the decision of the Comptroller of the Treasury therein Dollars 1845.04 R. Harrison Auditor

To Joseph Anderson Esq Comptroller of the Treasury of the United States
Comptrollers Office

I admit and certify the above balance this 19th day of Nov. 1834. Jas. Anderson Comp'r.
To Thomas L. Smith Register

NOTES:

George Muter was commissioned Colonel of the Virginia State Garrison Regiment on 1 Apr 1781. The regiment had been commanded by Col. Charles Porterfield until he died from wounds received at the Battle of Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780, where Vaughan appears to have served in the company of Capt Martin Heely.

The federal file includes correspondence from persons claiming to be Vaughan's heirs.