

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Fauntleroy Griffin X255 Bounty Land Claim VA f14VA  
Transcribed by Fred Weyler

[p2] On the books of land warrants issued to officers prior to 1800 are two entries relative to Griffin Fauntleroy. The first is opposite.

Warrant No. 766 which is marked out, and reads Fauntleroy, Griffin (2684) Capt. 300 acres Va, date of warrant not known as it was destroyed. See copy of Patent in Gen Land Office, No 71, issued to Jesse McKay, assignee of heirs, Aug29, 1810.

The second is opposite  
Warrant No 2694. The heirs of Griffin Fauntleroy, Capt 300 acres, Virginia. See copy of Patent in Gen Land Office issued Aug 29, 1810 No 71.

There are no papers on file relative to above

[p6] a note indicating that perhaps Griffin was a middle name or nickname and Samuel was the Fauntleroy first name.

[p10] a letter of inquiry indicating  
Griffin Murdock Fauntleroy of Richmond VA died 1794.  
Col William Fauntleroy of Richmond VA died 1793

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 2-page file

Supplemented by Will Graves

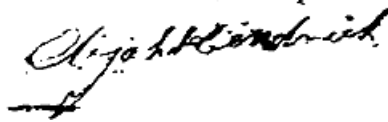
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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

By Virtue of Authority existed in me by John Fauntleroy heir at law of Captain Griffin Fauntleroy Deceased I do assigned to William Reynolds the full balance of pay & bounty of Land allowed the said Captain G. Fauntleroy from the earliest hour he entered into the service of the United States to the time of his death, for which I hereby acknowledge to have received full satisfaction of the said rentals which claim I warrant to him as witness my hand at Richmond this 24<sup>th</sup> of June 1784

Test: S/ Edmond Smith

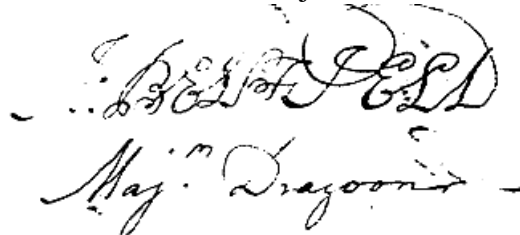
for John Fauntleroy  
S/ Abijah Hendrick



S/ Charles Royster

I do Certify that Griffith Fauntleroy drew no pay from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1780 except the advance pay granted the officers in the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Dragoons & he is entitled to pay as a Lieutenant of Cavalry from the first day of February 1780 till the 14<sup>th</sup> of April 1780 & from that time as Captain of Cavalry till he died from a wound he received at Guilford action [presumably a reference to the battle of Guilford County Court House, March 15, 1781]

S/ J. Belfield Major [John Belfield]



Maj<sup>r</sup> Dragoon

NB By applying to Captain William Barrot in Richmond you may know the day that Captain Fauntleroy died & get instructions how to proceed.

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 34-page file

Land Office military warrant number 3221

To the principal Surveyor of the Land, set apart for the Officers & Soldiers of the Commonwealth of Virginia

This shall be your warrant to survey and layout off in one or more surveys, for Mister William Reynolds as a knee of John Fauntleroy, who is an heir at law of Griffith Fauntleroy deceased his heirs or assigns, the quantity of four thousand acres of land due unto the said William Reynolds in consideration of Griffith Fauntleroy's service for 3 years as a Captain in the Virginia Continental Line agreeably to a certificate from the Governor and Council which is received into the Land Office. Given under my hand and the seal of said Office this 26 day of June in the year 1784.

S/ John Harvie, Re L. Off

Extract

from the Journal of the House of delegates of the 19<sup>th</sup> of December 1789

Mr. Richard Lee reported from the Committees of claims that the Committee had according to orders under their consideration the petition of Anthony Walton White ... [several lines of indecipherably faint text]

It appears to your Committee that the petitioner during the late war commanded a Regiment of Light Dragoons part of this State quota on Continental establishment; that in the years 1780 and 1781 he received large sums of paper money from the Treasurer and paymasters for the purpose of recruiting men, and the more effectually to forward this object, distributed the same in various proportions among those officers of his Corps that were employed in this business.

That among the distributions thus made of the money aforesaid were \$27,000 to the Major of the Regiment, Griffin Fauntleroy, Deceased, and \$20,000 to Captain John Scott, the latter of whom being unable to apply more than \$1835 to the before mentioned uses, returned to the petitioner the balance of the sum paid him, being \$18,161.

It further appears to your committee that the most considerable payment of the aforesaid paper money, was made to the petitioner in the month of September 1781, and that in the month of December following being ordered to the southward, he delivered \$54,800 of the same to Captain Thomas Hall, who being also ordered. Shortly afterwards to March to the southward, left the same with Captain James Nielsen, to be distributed among the officers belonging to the petitioner's Regiment, but the [indecipherable word] of the depreciation at that period, doing away all chance of recruiting, no application for the money was made by any of the said officers, and the said Nielsen redelivered the same \$54,800 to the petitioner in South Carolina shortly after the evacuation of Charleston [December 1782].

It further appears to your committee that on application by the petitioner for a settlement of his account, the auditor refused to credit him for the money delivered to his Major Griffin Fauntleroy deceased, and also, settled with the \$1861 returned by Captain Scott or the \$54,800 read delivered him by Captain Nielsen as aforesaid.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this committee that the petition of the said Anthony Walton White, praying that the auditor may be directed to settle his account and allow him credit there he and for the aforesaid several sums of money, at the rate the same were received, is reasonable.

Ordered that Mr. Richard Lee do carrt this resolution to the Senate and desire their concurrence.

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To the Executive of Virginia

Your petitioner Thomas Fauntleroy of the County of Fauquier and State of Virginia most respectfully represent that his brothers and sisters together with himself are the surviving heirs of their mother Eliza F Fauntleroy who was the only surviving heir of their uncle Griffin Fauntleroy who was killed as an officer in the war of the revolution in the battle which took place at Guilford Court house in North Carolina on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 1781 & being the heirs through the said Eliza their mother they are entitled to all his estate & consequently to the land or lands given to him by the laws of the State of Virginia or the United States for his services during that war. At what time exactly that the said Griffin Fauntleroy entered the service of his country your petitioner at this time is unable to specify, nor is he advised that it is material. He entered however at an early period was a Captain for a long time in Colonel Geo. Baylor's Regiment of Cavalry & was finally killed at the above-mentioned engagement as a Major of Cavalry to which he had been promoted but a short time before. The pay for services as aforesaid & the lands to which he was entitled have never been received by any person whatever entitled to receive the same as his heirs & no one has ever been in any manner authorized to do so by the heirs. The said Eliza F the mother of your petitioner was as he is informed and believes the only survivor legally entitled to his estate who married at an early period after the War & resided in the County of Frederick State of Virginia and all the heirs of the said Eliza have consequently come into existence since the death of the said Griffin & your petitioner is advised & believes that neither the said Eliza F nor her husband Joseph Fauntleroy nor anyone of their children having any manner received or disposed of the said pay for the services of the said Griffin, or the land to

which he was entitled by law for the same. Your petitioner begs to refer the Executive to the annexed affidavits A & to such other proofs as may be furnished by the records of the State to substantiate the same & prays that a warrant may issue for such land or lands as the said services of Major Griffin Fauntleroy will entitle them. He begs further to say that the said Griffin Fauntleroy was never married & had no issue – that further proof will be furnished by your petitioner if required & he prays that his petition with the evidence may be referred for [indecipherable word or words] & he will ever pray &c.

S/ Thomas F. Fauntleroy

[Attested April 16, 1835 in Henrico County Virginia.]

[This file contains a number of other documents, but the images of those documents are split, making it very difficult to transcript them, so I have elected not to do so.]