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Bounty Land Claim for Thomas Fleming BLWt409-400

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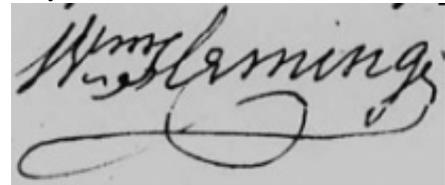
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[Punctuation partly corrected.]

I do certify, that Mrs Mary Ellis and Mrs Susanna Lewis, named in the within power of Attorney, were Mary & Susanna Fleming and the only surviving sisters of the within named John Fleming [BLWt409-400] and coheireses of their uncle Thomas Fleming and I have known those two ladees for many years and know them to be the persons which they represent themselves to be. And I do moreover certify that I am well acquainted with the within named Thomas and John Fleming for many years, and that they were the officers they are stated to be in this power of Attorney, and that Thomas Fleming died a natural death in the service of his Country, & that John Fleming was killed at the Battle of Princeton [3 Jan 1777], and that all the facts related in the said power of attorney are true

Given from under my hand in the city of Richmond this eighth day of October 1807

Wm. Fleming [William Fleming]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm. Fleming". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Henrico County &c/ The above Certificate Sworn to before me in due form agreeable to law this 8 Oc'r 1807

Dan L Hylton

I was well acquainted with Colonel Thomas Fleming of the 9th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, and with Captain John Fleming (I think) of the 5th Regiment of the same line. I well recollect that Colonel Fleming died in service, but at what time, I do not at this late day remember. Captain John Fleming was killed at the Battle of Princeton, which happened the begining of the year 1777, as well as I can recollect – it is said that he was entitled, or was promoted, before his death, but of this fact, I had no Certain information. I have always understood, and verily believe, that both these Gentlemen died without ever having been married.

Given under my hand at Richmond this 8th day of October 1807.

James Wood formerly B. Gen'l. [BLWt2419-500]
Continental Army.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James Wood". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. There is some faint text above the signature, possibly "of October 1807".

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) and also in the [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#).]

To his Excellency the Governor of Virginia [2 Feb 1838]

The memorial of Susan Byrd a resident of the City of Williamsburg in the State of Virginia respectfully states, that she is the only heir at law of the late John Flemming who was either a Capt or Major in the war of the Revolution, and who fell at the battle of Princetown, and that she and the heirs of the late Judge William Flemming are the joint [undeciphered word] of Cols Thomas and Charles Flemming [Charles Fleming] of the County of Chesterfield in the State of Virginia, who were also officers as she understands of the war of the Revolution. Your memorialist further states that the said [undeciphered word] Flemming who was her uncles when he entered the service, resided as she understood at Maidens Adventure [now Maidens] near Richmond in the County of Goochland in the state Virginia, and that the said Thomas and Charles Flemming who were her great uncles when they entered the service resided in the County of Chesterfield as she has been informed. She further states that she has

been informed that the said Col. Thomas Flemming died during the Revolution of the small Pox. She further states that she has no knowledge of the Particulars relative to their services, nor has she any papers touching the same. She further states that she is the only heir to Addison Lewis [possibly VAS899] of the County of Gloster [sic: Gloucester] in the State of Virginia who was an officer in the war of the Revolution. She also further states that she has no knowledge of the particulars relative to his services or papers touching the same.

She has been informed that she is entitled to additional bounty for their services, and she asks a consideration of her claim and such allowance as may be deemed right and proper.

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Note—The memorialist claims additional land bounty for the services of Maj Thomas and Col John Fleming one of whom was killed & the other died in service. It is understood that it is already decided that an officer who was killed or died in service was entitled to land for the war. She begs leave to refer your Excellency to the evidence on which land was formerly allowed, which she hopes will be found satisfactory.

Col. Thos Fleming/ Major John Fleming

No proof has been produced to shew when Col Thos Fleming entered the service. The application for additional bounty in this case is therefore rejected.

Additional bounty land is allowed the heirs of Major John Fleming of the Continental line for a service from 22^d of July 1782 to the 3^d of Nov 1783. [Gov.] David Campbell

NOTE: A power of attorney in the federal file states that Mary Ellis was the wife of John Ellis and formerly the widow of Worner Lewis, and that Susanna Lewis was the widow of Adison Lewis. It also states that Thomas Fleming died of small pox.