Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Hampton VAS1368

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

It appears from the Size Roll off first Troop that John Hampton Enlisted for the War in Colonel Baylor's Dragoons April 1781 & served until the mutiny

10th May 83

S/ Wm Barret fly [formerly] Capt.
Baylor's Dragoons
Passed December 13, 84

S/ T. Meriwether Comr.

For value received I do hereby assign to Mr. Richard Booker the Certificates for land due me for serving as a soldier to the end of the war.

Test S/ Levin Lord [??] S/ John Hampton, X his mark

December 2, 1784

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i Veteran must have been a participant in the mutiny which occurred in Baylor's Corps in South Carolina.

regiments of Continental Light Dragoons were merged into a unit of five troops, nominally commanded
by the ailing George Baylor, but actually commanded by Major [John] Swan. The consolidated regiments
remained in South Carolina until peace was declared. On hearing of the peace, about half the men elected
Sergeant-Major William Dangerfield as their leader, seized the remaining horses, and rode homeward. By
their mutiny they forfeited their pensions and bounty lands. The other cavalrymen, unhorsed by the
mutineers, were eventually picked up by a troop transport and taken home by sea to collect their
discharges.”