Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to William Henderson VAS1484

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 12th day of [too faint to discern] in the name of William Henderson as Captain of Infantry and evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £132.6.2, delivered to E. Winston and was given, as appears by a copy of the settlement on file in this office, for services from the 5th January 1777 to 30 May 1778 and as Lieutenant from the first to the 4 January 1777

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 22 day of December 1851.

S/[signature too faint to be discerned]  
First Auditor

The deposition [of] James Davis1 being first duly sworn depoeth and saith that he is 75 years of age and that he was Intimately acquainted with William Henderson who was a Lieutenant and Captain in the Revolutionary War. That he marched up in the 9th Virginia Regiment to the North in the year 1776 and continued in the Service until the end of the War and then returned home to the County of Accomack Virginia where he remained until his death.

Given under my hand and seal this 24th of March 1843.

Test

S/ Thomas A. Northam  
S/ James Davis, X his mark

To the Governor & Council of Virginia

The undersigned heirs at law of William Henderson deceased respectfully represent that their ancestor, the said William Henderson served as Captain in the 9th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment from an early period to the end of the Revolutionary War.

They refer for proof of his service to the affidavit of James Davis, a revolutionary

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1 Probably the same man as James Davis S8281
pensioner of the United States, who deposes that the said Henderson marched in 1776 to the northward & continued in service to the end of the War. As confirmation of the accuracy of Davis's Statement, they refer to the [text too faint to discern] historical fact that the 9th Regiment was raised principally in Accomack County, where Davis resided. Residing in the same County with Henderson, he had the best opportunity of knowing his service.

They ask the usual allowance of bounty.

S/ Samuel C White, for the heirs of Captain Henderson