To the Hon. the Speaker and House of Delegates

The Petition of John Hathcock humbly Sheweth, That your petitioner enlisted as a Soldier in the Service of this State in September 1779 & continued in the said Service until January 1782 at which time your Petitioner was discharged by Capt. Browne the then commanding Officer since which having lost the said Discharge have been deprived of that compensation which other Soldiers similarly situated have been long since benefited by. Your Petitioner therefore begs that the Hon. Legislature will now pass an act allowing the necessary pay &c depreciation & your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray &c

[Reverse]

Hathcock's petition
October 9th 1792 John Hathcock
Referred to Claims Petition
referred 29th of October 92 Southampton County

Southampton County

This day Hardy Hunt made oath before me that himself and John Heathcock [sic] enlisted about the same time as Soldiers in the service of this State and did march together from Southampton Court house to Williamsburg under the command of Sergeant Williford, where they joined other Troops; and that they served together in this State and in some of the southern States until the capture of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], they then went to Portsmouth, from there about the 10th of December 1781 he went to Hampton under the command of Major Megill, he then left John Heathcock at Portsmouth under the command of Capt. Browne – he further saith that he does not believe that John Heathcote received any pay or wages during the time he was in the service.

Given under my hand this 18th day of September 1792
S/ Ben. Blunt

It appears by the books in this office that the within named Soldiers have not received their pay and Depreciation
S/ John Carter  
Auditors Office  
9 October 92

Southampton

This day John Heathcock made oath before me that he enlisted as a Soldier in the service of this State in September 1779 and that he continued in said service until the 4th of January 1782 when he was discharged at Portsmouth by Capt. Browne the then commanding Officer at that post, but that his discharge is lost, and that he has received no pay or wages for said service – Given under my hand this 18th day of September 1792  
S/ Ben. Blunt

Southampton County

This may certify that John Heathcock did on the 6th day of September in the year 1779 enlist as a soldier under an act of general Assembly entitled An act for raising a body of Troops for the defense of the Commonwealth; and that he was delivered at Southampton courthouse to an officer who was appointed to receive the soldiers raised under the said act within this County. Given under my hand this 18th day of September 1792  
S/ Ben Blunt C. Lt. [Benjamin Blunt, County Lieutenant]  
of Southampton