To the Honble the Speaker, and Members of the House of Delegates of Virginia.

The Petition of Robert Long of Culpeper County humbly sheweth That your Petitioner was a Soldier in Capt John Jamesons Company of Minute men in the year 1775 and was in actual Service at the Borough of Norfolk and other places during the winter following, where he endeavour’d to discharge his duty as a good Soldier upon all occasion; that the many hardships he suffer’d during that inclement Season, from the bad accomodation of the Soldiery, and the hardness of the duty, greatly impaired his Constitution and brought on him a disorder which endangered his life and confined him many months to his bed after his arrival at home in the Spring of the year 1776, and has at length deprived him altogether of the use of his Limbs, by which means he is render’d incapable of serving his Country as a Soldier, or to gain a livelyhood by any other means whatever, and is in danger of becoming a burthen to his friends.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that you will take his case under consideration, and grant him such relief as to you shall seem just and reasonable. And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray &c

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Culpeper Sci’t. This day came before me John Long of lawfull age, & upon his Corporeal oath deposeth and sayeth, that Robert Long a soldier in Jno. Jamesons Company of the Culpeper minute Battalion on his return from Norfolk about the middle of March 1776 was taken sick and was obliged to be brought up from Suffolk in a Waggon to his home in Culpeper & remains sick & unable to support himself to this time and further sayeth not [signed] John Long

The above sworn to before me this 20th day August 1777 N Pendleton

[A similar statement was signed by Brumhill[?] Long and three others.]

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