I do hereby Certify that Jean Babtiste has Enlisted to serve as a Soldier in the 1st Reg’t of Lt Dragoons During the Continuance of the War and that he has not received the Bounty allowed to [several undeciphered words] forty Dollars [three undeciphered words] a Bounty to such Soldiers as serve three years whereby the s’d Jean Babtiste is entitled to receive the Residue of the bounty and all such [undeciphered word] as is promised by the Congress or the State of Virginia for Soldiers in the Virginia line, serving in the Army of the United states during the War given at Charlottesville this 26th day of Oct’r 1779

[Theodorick Bland VAS1859] Col. Com[mandant]

N.B. the s’d Babtiste engaged to serve during the War on the 1st day of Oct’r 1779

N.B. I do certify that the above John Babtiste served during the War

[William Parsons R16965] Late Cpt. 1st R.L.D.

Jan’y 30th 1783

NOTE: The name is probably a misspelling of Jean Baptiste.