[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I do Certifie that Thomas Bates was a Soldier in Col [Charles] Harrison’s Regiment of Artillery & that he
[undeciphered word] in s’d Regiment [several illegible words]
York April 15 1785 Richard Waters [Richard C. Waters VAS2145]
Capt Lieut

13 April 1785
For value rec’d I have impowered Benj’n Weldon[?] [four undeciphered words] to receive all the
pay due me in right of my brother Thomas Bates be it of what nature serves [?] & would be much obliged
to any Officer to grant him my certificate to enable him to draw the same
James Bates
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