Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to David Preston VAS267 ysl 2VA
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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do certify that David Preston a Soldier in the 5th Regiment Light Dragoons, enlisted October 1st 1780 for the War & served his time as a faithful soldier.

Given under my hand this 15th day of June 1787

S/ Will Parson, Junr. [William Parsons Junior]
formerly Captain first Re. L. D.

This is to empower Mr. Will. Keene (or any person whom he the said Keene may authorize) to settle my claim with the Auditor of Public Accounts.

S/ David Preston

I do hereby certify that the above order was given in my presence

S/ Thea Carter Jr.
17 Sept. 1878

By virtue of the orders of the Major General Greene David Preston private, the bearer hereof belonging to the 4th Troop of the first Regiment L. D. Com'd [commanded] by Colonel George Baylor, has leave of absence from his said Regiment until called for, & then to repair to such rendezvous, as shall be appointed in the state of Virginia under pain of being considered, & treated as a deserter, the said summons being published in the Virginia newspapers 3 weeks successively to be considered as sufficient notice.

S/ Will Parsons, Junr. Capt. 1st R. L. D.
Nelson's Ferry June 12th 1783
C. Jones Capt. Comt. 1st R. L. D.

[All of the above are labeled as copies of the originals]