Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to James Price VAS275

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

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To the Honbl. Executive of Virginia

I herewith transmit such documents as I have been able to procure for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land of my father, they are not as full as I could want but the length of time which has elapsed since those transactions, together with the circumstance of all my father's papers and property being destroyed by the British, puts it out of my power to be more explicit; but I flatter myself the documents will be deemed sufficient, and will be found to stand thus – No. 1 John Beckley's Certificate showing he was appointed Ensign 22 January 1778 [last digit could be 6]

No. 2 The Register's Certificate showing that no land has ever been granted to James Price.

No. 3 Mr. Duval's certificate shows that he was an officer acting under him in the first detachment that went from this quarter

No. 4 Richard Crouch's Certificate shows he was an officer in the Army –

No. 5 Wm Price Certificate shows he was in service during the war –

No. 6 David Lambert's Certificate shows he was in the service during the war and that he was a Captain at the close of the same.

I have also in my possession 3 original letters from William G. Munford who acted as deputy quarter master General, directed to my father – they have been established [?] by John Taylor Esquire late Governor of Virginia, that they relate to a claim which my father has against the United States as quartermaster, if it is necessary they shall be produced.

I am very respectfully

John W. Price only son of James Price deceased

Richmond 12 October 1811

[Note: the certificate of John Beckley is totally illegible and the register's letter is cut off so as to be meaningless.]

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I do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with Mr. James Price
That he entered into the Service of the United States early in the year
[missing] as an Ensign, and at the close of the war he was Captain, and that
[missing] as Deputy Quarter Master, or Commissary, sometime after that
[missing] Given under my hand this 24th June 1811
S/ David Lambert

Richmond 24 June 1811

I do hereby certify that it appears to me by a Certificate dated the 22nd January 1776
signed by John Bickley, that James Price was appointed Ensign in my company on that date, and
I well recollect him in that character in an expedition to the lower parts of this State, which I
believe was the first that ever went from this part of the Country, from the seal activity &
firmness deployed by the said Price on that occasion I have no hesitation in saying that there was
not a more promising officer in the detachment; and moreover from the continuance of said Price
in the service of the Country I have as little doubt he was promoted, but to what rank at the close
of the war I do not now recollect.
Teese:
S/ William D. Price     S/ Wm DuVal

I do hereby Certify in addition to a former Certificate that at the Commencement of the
Revolution, James Price went into the State Service first, but afterwards into the United States
Service upon Continental establishment, but his Rank or time of service is not now recollected
by me.
Given under my hand this 16th of October 1811
S/ William Price

I have resided in the City of Richmond for upwards of fifty years, and well remember James
Price, during the American Revolution; that he was acting here as an officer in authority for a
considerable time, but what his rank was I do not now remember. His brother Elisha Price was
also in this place towards the close of the war, a young officer, and I well remember in some
expedition, his friends opposed his going but he insisted he was of sufficient age and did go but I
do not recollect what rank he held. I am under the impression that both those gentlemen
continued in public life till the end of the war. The above has been written by my directions, I
have examined the same and subscribed at this 26 day of February 1811.
S/ Richard Crouch
I do hereby certify that James Price [indecipherable text] the service before the Declaration of Independence and continued in the [several lines of indecipherable text] the siege of York the [indecipherable text] part of the time he was in the Staff Department acting as assistant Commissary of Issues for the United States at the post of Richmond district of Virginia & was also quarter Master for the troops of the United States, when passing through from the North to the South – I well recollect meeting with him at Charlotte Court House, when on my way to join Steuben's detachment, he was then flying from the invading army, with public Stores, being ordered to Staunton with them at the time the Assembly & Governor was compelled to leave Richmond. I was afterwards with him in Staunton to which place I carried the Nuse [news] of the capture of CornWallice [Cornwallis, October 19, 1781], after his return to Richmond he still [indecipherable word] on the same Office for some time, but how long exactly I do not now recollect, but my impressions till after the peace, at which time I was at the post at [indecipherable word] Fork –

Given under my hand the 22\textsuperscript{nd} of January 1811

S/ William Price