Virginia documents pertaining to Nelson Cosby VAS3152
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

This is to Certifie that Nelson Cosby enlisted in the 5th Virg’a Regiment for during the war in December 1777.

J. Anderson [John Anderson BLWt54-300] late
Capt. 5 Virg’a Reg’t

I do Certifie that Nelson Cosby marched to the South in Colo R’d. Parker’s [Richard Parker BLWt525-500] detachment in 1779 & acted as a Serjeant & was taken in Charles Town [Charleston SC, 12 May 1780] & died there. Given under my hand this 17 Ap’l 1786

Beverley Stubblefield [W2263]
Capt 2d Virg’a Reg’t

Intitled to depreciation from 1st December 1777 (seventy seven) to the first May 1778 as a private & from thence to May 80 as a Serjeant if not settled

Thos. Meriwether
May 9 86

Hanover County Set

Walker Austin & Rich’d Austin This day came before me a Majistrate in County aforesaid & made Oath that Edw’d Nelson Cosby was a Serjeant in the Southern Service and there died, and that a Nelson Cosby was a brother to the aforesaid Edward Nelson Cosby, but cannot tell what has become of him and that Peter Cosby, Brother to both the above is now living in the said County of Hanover & that they never knew of any other Brothers but the above.

Given under my hand this 8th May 1786. Thom’s Trivilian

a Copy [?] Southall

Peter Cosby the Legal representative of Nelson Cosby is intitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Serjeant of the Continental Line for Three years service.

Council Chamber
[undeciphered] 10th 1786 T. Meriwether