Pension application of George Rice BLWt1786-300    f1VA
Transcribed by Will Graves     6/21/12

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[cover sheet only]

Va.   Rice, George  B.L.Wt.1786-300—Capt.
Issued Aug. 25, 1789
Also recorded as above under
B.L.Wt.2498
No papers

The Library of Virginia in its online digital collection relating to bounty land claims honored by that state contains the following documents which probably relate to this veteran:

I do Certify that Captain George Rice was a Lieutenant in Captain John Nevils [John Neville's] Company in the Service of the United States either in the month of July or August 1775 and that the said Rice continued in the service until the end of the war previous to which time he was promoted to a Captaincy –

Given under my hand this 22nd day September 1806
S/ Simon Morgan
Late Captain V. L.

Warrant issued to Captain George Rice for three years service
S/ Wm Price Reg.
Nov. 17 1807

George Rice deceased, was appointed a Lieutenant in a Company raised for the defense of the Frontier of State of Virginia under command of Captain John Neville I remember seeing him in service in June or July 1775 – in the latter end of the year 1776 or beginning of the year 1777, he was appointed a Captain in the 11th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan on Continental establishment – how long he remained in that Regiment I am unable to ascertain. I recollect that he served as Quartermaster at the post of Charlottesville him to the guards & to
the Continental Army, then confined as Prisoners at that place till the latter end of the year 1781, when the Prisoners were removed from that State – I think it probable that he would be employed in arranging his Business in that department until the end of the war, but of this I can say nothing with any degree of Certainty, nor can I say whether he [several indecipherable words] his Commission in the Continental line. I believe this signature to be the hand writing of Major Andrew Waggoner. Given under my hand this 19th of November 1807


Henrico County Sct.

I do hereby Certify that the late Captain George Rice who was a Captain in the 11th Virginia was a Lieutenant under me in the month of July 1775 that he continued with me as a Lieutenant until the fall of 1776 when he entered into Colonel Morgan's Regiment & that I believe he ever behaved as a gallant & valuable officer. Given under my hand this 21st of October 1807

S/ A. Waggoner

[There is another certificate which appears to be dated in the 1780's from Andrew Waggoner and Dan. Morgan, BG, but the document as posted is not legible except in part.]