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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Stith BLWt2064-300
Transcribed by Will Graves 4/28/12

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Va.   Stith, John   BLWt2064-300—Capt.
issued September 9, 1789 to
Henry Lee Executor of the
last will & testament of
Alexander Skinner, deceased
late Assignee of John Stith
no papers

[Note: the file contains the normal response indicating the War office has no records relating to this veteran because of the destruction of the records in the fire of 1800.]

The Virginia State Library online digital collection relating to Bounty land claims contains the following documents which probably relate to this veteran

I do hereby Certify that John Stith esqr entered into the Service of the United States early in the year 1776, in Continued until the end of the War – his rank was that of a Captain of Infantry, and was entitled to a Brevet of Major agreeably to the resolution of Congress.

Given under my hand this 12th of August 1807

S/ James Wood, formerly B. Genl. Continental Army

[Handwritten note:"
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Continental army"]
John Stith has drawn 4666 2/3 acres of Militia Land Warrants for seven years as a Captain of the Continental line

S/ Wm Price Reg. [Register of the VA. Bounty Land Office]

August 14, 1807

I do Certify that Captain John Stith of the Virginia line Continental establishment, continued in Service until the final end of the war, and that his time of Service was upwards of seven years.

1st November 1798
James Wood, late B. Genl.

The following MAY relate to the same officer

Sir please Issue to Doctor James Curric all the land I had a right to as a Captain of Cavalry & this shall be your sufficient discharge---
Your Compliance will much oblige Sir yr Very H Servt
To Colo. Meriwether
Richmond
West? Oct. 10th
1783 J Stith