To Value Received

I Samuel Jess late a private Soldier in the Service of the United States of America in the Legion commanded by Lieut. Colo’n. Henry Lee do hereby Assign Transfer and Set over unto Captain James Herd [sic: James Heard, pension application S540] in the State of Virginia Winchester, all my bounty Lands due me by the State of New Jersey & the United States of America. Witness my hand seal this third day of December in the your of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Six 1806. Sealed and delivered in the presence of
William Harrison
James Batten

Sir/ please deliver the contents to Mr Joseph Lewis & Oblige your Hu S’t
James Heard
Decemb’r 30th 1806

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

I Do Certify that Samuel Jess inlisted, with Colo Henry Lee, at the time he recruted a Troop of horse in the spring of seventeen hundred & seventy seven and continued to serve in the Legion after it was organised till the conclusion of the Revolutionary war, and that the s’d Samuel Jess was wounded in the action fought by Gen’l Green at the Eutaw Springs in South Carolina in the year seventeen hundred & eighty one [8 Sep 1781].

Trenton  Sept’r 22d 1821 James Heard
late Capt. of the 2d Troop of Dragoons Lee’s Legion

Agreeable to a Resolution of Congress bearing Date the 26th Day of May 1783 the Bearer hereof Samuel Jess, a Dragoon ([for the duration of the] War) of Lt. Colo. H. Lees Legion, belonging to the state of New Jersey, has leave of Absence untill call’d [illegible word] by proper Authority to join his Corps, or is finally Discharg’d Given at the H’d. of Elk [Head of Elk, now Elkton MD]

State of Maryland this 20th Day Aug’t 1783 [Michael Rudulph, BLWt945-300]