The Hon’ble Speaker & Members of the General Assembly

The Petition of the Officers of the Virginia State Line now residing in the County of Norfolk

We your Petitioners having served with the Officers belonging to the Virginia Line on Continental Establishment in the Army of the United States, during the War, with Great Brittain. And as State Officers during that time ware deprived of our Rank, according to the dates of our several Commissions, Which of itself was sufficient to have disgusted us with the Service, had not the Glorious cause exited us to have continued. And shall you Gentlemen add to this great mortification, by depriving us of those Emoluments that have been granted to the Officers of the Virginia Line of Continental Establishment Notwithstanding we ware promised every Emolument, that they received, That is the five years full pay, or the half pay during Life

[undeciphered] Boush [apparently erased] Lieu’t [possibly Goodrich Boush R19365]
William Hoffler Cap’n 1st V. S. Reg’t [pension application S38047]
Thos Armistead D’o D’o D’o [Thomas Armistead R12157]
James Harper Lt. D’o D’o [BLWt2148-200 and R14859]
Jno. Quarles Capt, Lt. State Artil’y.
John Hudson Capt 2d V. S. Regt [R15350]
Chas S. Boush Lieut. State Navy [R12]

16th Nov’r. 1789 Ref’d. to prop[osition]s/ rejected/ rep[orte]d
I hereby certify that Capt Lt. Jno. Quarles served three years as an officer in the State Artillery, & that he is now a supernumerary officer, never having resigned nor been superceded
Richmond March 2d 1784 George Muter Col

I do Certify that John Quarles was a Lieutenant in the first Virginia Contental Regiment & that he Died in the Service of his Country sometime in the month of December 1776
Archibald Denholm

1776 Feb’y 8 [two or three undeciphered words] John Quarles an }
   Orderly Sergeant on Min’t service at Hampton } £7.2.10½

The foregoing is extracted from an “Account of General expenses for the minute service” found in a book filed in this department, which is endorsed Accounts of the Comm’e of Safety
Jos. Jackson Clk of [undeciphered]
Aud’rs Office 14 Dec’r 1831

J W Murdaugh on behalf of John Quarles Richardson grandson & only heir at law of John Quarles dec’d;
Respectfully represents that said John Quarles was an orderly Sergeant in the State line at Hampton as early as February 1776 (as appears by the accompanying certificate, from the proceedings of the Committee of Safety) – and that he was afterwards promoted to a Lieutenancy in the State artillery, and was in Commission as a Captain Lieutenant at the end of the war, having been reported by the board of officers (in 1782) as entitled to Half Pay He having served seven years and three months became entitled to a Bounty in land of 4833 1/2 acres of which quantity [he received] 4000 acres in Warrant NO 2666 —

[The rest unrelated to military service]

Note: On 18 Jan 1854 Murdaugh wrote to the Commissioner of Pensions that about 1829 John Q. Richardson, husband of Anna Richardson, had been made administrator of Quarles’s estate. On 28 Feb 1854 Murdaugh wrote to the Commissioner that Quarles had received half pay of $200 per year as a Captain Lieutenant under the act of 5 July 1832, and he inquired whether Quarles’s estate might be
allowed half pay of $240 per year as a Captain. The request was evidently denied. A Captain-Lieutenant held the rank of Lieutenant but did the service of a Captain in a company nominally commanded by the Colonel of the regiment.