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Virginia documents pertaining to Simon Thomas VAS2005 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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To the Hon'ble the Legislature of the State of Virginia

The Petition of Simon Thomas

Humbly sheweth that on the 10th day of March 1779 your petitioner enlisted as a Soldier from the 25 Division of the Militia of Fairfax County to serve in the American Army for the space of Eighteen Months agreable to an Act of Assembly for the speedy recruiting the Virginia Regiments on Continental Establishment. that your petitioner march'd under the Command of Captain Robert Powell [pension application W8525] of the 3^d Virginia Regiment and was taken prisoner by the British Troops at the Capture of Charleston in South Carolina [12 May 1780], from whence he was carried in Captivity to England. that this petitioner never received more than thirty pounds for his services viz't. £21 in September 1779 & £9 in January 1780

Your Petitioner therefore prays to be allowed his full pay & Compensation to which he is justly entitled for services afs'd. & your petitioner will ever pray &c

Alexandria March 10th 1779

I hereby certify that the 25th Division of the Fairfax Militia has furnished Simon Thomas as a Soldier to serve one year & six months according to an act of [one or two illegible words] provided for the purpose of filling up the Deficiencies in the Virg'a. Reg'ts. on Continental Establishment.

[signature undeciphered]

Fairfax County Silicit

This day came before me one of the Justices of the peace for the s'd County Reuben Ruxby[?] and made oath on the holy evengelists of almity God that he was a Soldier with Simon Thomas when we were captivated by the British at Charles Town in the year 1780 and that the s'd Simon Thomas was carried to great Britain (by the British) in a forcible manner as likewise was this deponent and that the s'd Thomas continued true & faithfull to the United States of America. Given under my hand this 28th day of March 1787

Geo. Minor

I hereby certifie that Simon Thomas on the tenth day of March 1779 enlisted as a Soldier from the twenty fifth division of the Militia of Fairfax County to serve for the term of Eighteen months agreeable to an Act of Assembly for speedy recruiting the Virginia Regiments on the Continental Establishment – and that the said Simon Thomas was delivered to Robert Powell Cap. 3^d Virg'a. Reg't. as pr his receipt the 22^d May 1779 R A Waggener/ December 29, 1787

7th Nov'r. 1791 Ref'd to Claims/ reasonable/ Bill pay [undeciphered amount]/ rep[orte]d 13 9^{re} [Nov] 91