Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to William Grills VAS2014

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To the Hon'ble The Speaker and House of Delegates
The Petition of James Duncan [pension application S37901], Richard Reeves [VAS2013], & William Grills soldiers in the 12th Virginia Regiment. Humbly Shew.

That your Petitioners being on the Fort Pitt Station were Ordered on Command by the Commanding Officer, to Escort a Quantity of Provisions for the Garrison at Fort Randolph [at present Point Pleasant WV], that on the Night of the 25th of December last the Boat by running on a snag stove; by which your Petitioners each of them lost their Rifles, together with sundry Cloathing. they therefore beg leave to refer the Annexed Depositions to the Hon'ble. House, and Humbly Pray their Consideration and they in Duty Bound will Ever Pray &c.

Frederick Sct.

James Duncan being first sworn before me one of the Justices of the said County deposeth and saith that the within mentioned Rifle Cost him the Day before the Boat Stove Six Pounds five shillings Pennsylvania Currency, that he lost at the same time a powder horn and shot bag worth Ten shillings and a shirt – he further saith that he knows the gun lost by William Grills which was a Brass Barl [brass-barrell?] Rifle, an Exceeding good one, and wou'd at that time sold for seven Pounds Ten shillings Pennsylvania Currency. – he further saith that he knew the gun lost by Richard Reeves, that it was a New Brass Barl Rifle, and that he understood it Cost him Eleven Pounds Pennsylvania Currency. – Richard Reeves also made Oath that the gun lost by him at the time above mentioned Cost him a few days before Eleven Pounds Pensylvania Curr'y. and that at the same time he lost a shirt, and also a Hat which Cost one Dollar – that he knew the guns lost by Duncan and Grills and that answered the Description given of

James Wood

[Col. James Wood]

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them. – Sworn the 1st July 1777 before