## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Robert Bower VAS2579

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

I do certify the Sergeant Robert Bower of the first Virginia Regiment was enlisted by me the Eighth day of June 1777 for the term of three years. that he received of Mr. Norrise pay [several words lined through or undeciphered] two months pay in January 1778 and two months pay in March – that he received all his arrears of pay from the date of his inlistment untill December 1778 in December pay rolle, from which time he received his pay regularly with the army untill the first day of December 1779. That he died in Chas. Town [Charleston SC] in August 1780 after having served faithfully the term of his inlistment.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1783 (signed) John Steel Lieut. Fredericks Burgh [sic: Fredericksburg] 1<sup>st</sup> Virg'a Reg't

Copy Teste Jas. Lyle jr

The above is just & true/ B Ball [Burges Ball BLWt252-500] Lt. Colo. Comd't.

a Copy Teste Jas. Lyle jr J Pond

At a Court held for Augusta County Septem. 16<sup>th</sup> 1783

John Steel Lieutenant of the first Virginia Regiment Came into Court & made Oath, that (the within named) Robert Bower a Soldier in the Continental Army died in Charles Town in August 1780. Ordered that it be certified to the Register of the Land Office so that Ephimia Mitchell Wife of James Mitchell and Elizabeth Barns wife of George Barns may Obtain a Warrant for the Land due him as a sergeant, in the affors'd Army, it being proved that they are the only Heirs.

A Copy Teste Jas Lyle jr A Copy R Madison Clk A

Note: Robert Bower appears to have died as a prisoner of war after Charleston was captured on 12 May 1780.