Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Wills VAS2663
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

I do Certify that I knew Thos Wills as a Lieutenant in the Last war with Great Brittan I know that he did serve during the war and Came out a Lieutenant in the 4th Virginia Redgment at the End of the war.
Given under my hand this 2 day of Feby 1812
I do Certify that the above named/ Herod Gibbs [Harod (Herod) Gibbs W17947]
is a man of Good staning [Herod Gibbs]
in Society & his Certificate Intitled to full [Lt 15th V Rig’t]
Credit/ Hez’h Donald J.P.
[South] Carolina/ Chester District

The Certificate pind to this paper goes to prove the Service of Thos Wills As the Certificate was Obtained in Virginia & Likewise to prove that Herod Gibbs Was An Officer

[page damaged] of So Carolina } Personally Came before me Thomas Wills and after being
[page damaged] field District } sworn say that he did Inlist in what was Cald the Minute Service
in the Last war with Great Brittan and did serve the time out that they ware Inlisted for Under the
Command of Capt. Shelton [possibly [Clough Shelton BLWt740-300] And then Inlisted for one year
under Capt. Jno. Brown [John Brown] and did serve his time out And then Inlisted for two years Under
Capt James Dibors[?] in the 4th Virginia Redgment And did serve his time Out And then did Inlist for
three years or during the Ware in the above Ridgment in a Company Cold Holcoms [John Holcombe?] Company But Comandid by Capt. James Motin [sic: James Morton S9035 ] And did Continue in the
Armey And was Promoted to a first Lieutenant to the End of the ware in Capt James Motin’s Company.
This deponant further swears that for all his Servises in [several illegible words] only Received forty four
pounds three shillings & ten pence. This deponant swares that there was Land promised him when he
Inlisted for three years or During the ware And further sayeth on his oath that he has never Drawn his
Warrent for the Land nor has never sold or Convey’d the said Land Warrent to No person Except to
Christopher de Graffreed who is now Authorized to Act for me in Receiving the said Land Warrent And
all the Back pay that may appear to be due me from the State of Virginia or the United States
Sworn’d to and Subscribed to Thomas Wills
before me tis 3rd day of Feby 1812
[illegible] Curry T.J.

I do certify that I remember Thos. Wills while in the Continental Army and do believe he continu’d to the
End of the War. And was in the last arangement a lieut in the 4th Virg’a Reg’t Given under my hand 23rd
February 1812 Virginia Hezekiah Morton [BLWt69-300]
Prince Edward Cty formerly Capt. in the
Continental line

Please to Equire whether the names of the Following persons has ben put Before the Govenor & Counsil
for Land Due them for their Sirvices During the Revolutionary War & if not all, what part has ben put, the
names are as follows Hugh Norwell  Ben James Stuts  William Davenport [possibly W19155]  Thos Wells & James Alverson [possibly W8326] &c.

Thomas Wills claims as an officer in the year 1804 the representative of this man, stating him to be dead, obtained the Land Bounty of a Captain [see endnote]. I well recollect that an application was made to me by Colo. John S. Wills of Isle of Wight, to certify that his brother was an officer in the Continental Army, which I Coud not do. I have searched for the Voucher on which the Warrant issued, but the bundle in which it ought to have been filed is missing  James Wood [BLWt2419-500]

NOTE: Wood evidently confused this Thomas Wills with Thomas Wills VAS2663.