Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Simon Butt VAS2830 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

Norfolk County towit:

This day Josiah Jolliff a Minister of the Gospel, aged 78 years persenally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County aforesaid, and made oath, that he was well acquainted with Simon Butt, who was a Corporal in the War of the Revolution, and that he served during the whole of the said War. He left a son named Simon, his only heir at law, and he died, leaving five children towit Simon Butt, Eliza Butt, Amanda Butt, Mary Butt and Fanny Miller, the wife of Swepson Miller. Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of June 1850. Thomas S Webb J.P.

To the Executive of Virginia

As Attorney for the heirs at law of Simon Butt deceased, who was a noncommissioned officer in the War of the Revolutionary, I present their claim for Military Bounty due for the services rendered by the said Simon Butt. The evidence presented in support of this claim is

First. The affidavit of Josiah Jolliff who states he was well acquainted with the said Simon Butt who was a Corporal in the army and served during the whole War

Secondly. John H. Smith the Commissioner by his report made the 7th Jan'y 1835, to the then Governor in Document No. 44 reports Simon Butt as a Corporal in the Cavalry, and entitled to Bounty Land.

From this evidence, which is conclusive, I ask for the usual allowance of Bounty Land

Portsmouth Feb'y 15th 1851 James Murdaugh Attorney for the heirs

Feby 27th 1851. Advice. There is no evidence of 3 years service, except that of a single witness who could have been but eleven years of age at the end of the war. Advised to be rejected.

Allowed JBF [Gov. John B. Floyd]