Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Samuel Demovill VAS2836 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I discharg'd Samuel Demovill after serving 3 years [undeciphered] & faithfully in the Navy as an Armerer on board the Ship Tarter [sic: *Tartar*] the 24th of March 1780.

Wm Sanders [William Saunders R89] Capt

Copy/ J. Pendleton Jr

Rece'd a Certificate for Sam'l Demovills land warr't. Robert Fitzgerald

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

To the Governor & Council of Virginia.

As attorney for the Heirs of Samuel Demoville, who was an Armourer of the State Navy in the war of the Revolution, I present the claim of the heirs of the said Demoville for additional Bounty Land. Sam'l Demoville rec'd Land (100 acres) in 1783 as a Seaman the grade of the warrant officers of the navy not being then settled, some of them receiving as seamen 100 or 200 acres, while others rec'd 2666½ acres as commissioned officers. It having been repeatedly [undeciphered word] by the Executive that warrant officers are entitled to rank as Lieutenants in the Land Service and of course entitled to 2666½ acres and nearly all having rec'd 2666½ acres the heirs of said Demoville respectfully request of the Executive the allowance of the Bounty usually made to Warrant officers of the navy. The Certificate of the Auditor that he rec'd depreciation as armourer is herewith enclosed

Jos Segar/ Atty for Heirs

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 12th day of December, 1783, in the name of Samuel Demovill as a Arm'r Navy for £88.5.9, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 27th[?] day of April 1838.

Rejected March 19 1840/ DC [Gov. David Campbell]
Jas E Heath AUDITOR.