[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

To the Honorable the Governor of Virginia

Your petitioners humbly represent that their father the said William Pritchett enlisted as a Sergeant in Captain Robert George's Company of Artillery in the Virginia line and [indecipherable word] Department on the 16th February 1784 and during the war, that the said William Pritchett the father of your petitioners departed this life on or about the year 1822 or 1823 intestate leaving but to heirs the said William W Pritchett and Richard Pritchett who are entitled to the bounty land which the said William their father would have been entitled had he [several indecipherable words]. They further represent that the said William Pritchett continued in the said Service until the close of the War – they ask bounty land for the said Services [Note: no indication this petition was signed]

Wm Pritchett Sergeant first appears 16th of February 1780 he continues & received pay up to the 15th February 1784.

Petition for bounty land

The Heirs of William Pritchett – Sergeant S. L. [State Line]
William Pritchett has been reported, in the printed Illinois list – no. 4 – entitled to bounty land, for the war.

This report was made, on the evidence of the Illinois Payrolls – (see volume 1st Illinois Papers, in 1st Auditors Office) they show him in service from February 16th 1780 (when he enlisted for the war) to February 15th 1784 in Captain Robert George's Company of Artillery.

I report William Pritchett's heirs entitled to land, for his services as Sergeant in the Illinois Regiment, for & during the war, under an enlistment prior to April first 1781.

Respectfully submitted
John H Smith Commissioner

To Governor Tazewell
June 17th 1834