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Virginia documents pertaining to John Claybrook VAS3023 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

The Memorial of the Heirs and legal representatives of John Claybrook Decd, late a Sergeant of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment during the war of the Revolution:

Respectfully sheweth: That they were too young to have any knowledge of the services of the said John Claybrook in the Revolutionary war, and have to depend entirely on the evidence of those who were in service with him.

That the said John Claybrook in the Spring of the year, 1777, enlisted as a soldier under Capt Joseph Michaux [VAS882] for the term of three years, and was attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Charles Lewis [VAS901]. Shortly after his enlistment, he was made a Sergeant in the company of Capt. Michaux, and continued as such untill the time of his death, which was some time in the year, 1778 All of which will more fully appear by referrence to the accompanying certificates of soldiers of good character and standing, in the Revolutionary army, who had an opportunity of knowing his services in the Revolutionary war. Your memorialists beg leive, also, to refer to the original Muster Roll of Capt. Michaux's Company filed among the papers of Michaux's heirs for Land Bounty, on which Roll his name will be found as Sergeant. the claim of Michaux's heirs for Land Bounty is on Executive file.

Your Memorialists humbly conceive that as the said John Claybrook departed this life whilst in the service of the [illegible] Virginia on Continental establishment, that his heirs are entitled to the land Bounty promised by the laws of Virginia to her officers and soldiers of the Continental line who died in the service.

your Memorialists, therefore, pray that your Excellency will grant them the quantity of land to which the said John Claybrook as Sergeant was entitled, for services rendered in the war of the Revolution, pursuant to the laws of Virginia in such case made and provided. And as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c John C Calhoon/ James A Calhoon/ Sarah Dablar[?] [Prince Edward County, 19 Dec 1836]

Virginia. Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby Certify that I was acquainted with John Claybrook Decd in the Revolutionary war, and know that [illegible] enlisted under Captain Michaux early in, 1777, for the term of three years, and that he was made Sergeant in the same company, attached to 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, during the Revolutionary war. He marched about 1st March, 1777, to the Northern Army in obedience to orders of Governor, & Board of War, to the relief of General Washington, and died whilst in the service of his country in the north. Col Lewis commanded the Regiment. I am in the 85th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army of the North.

James Mullings [S10251]

[12 July 1836]

James Mullings

Virginia. Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby Certify that John Claybrook was a Sergeant in Captain Joseph Michaux's company, attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, during the Revolutionary war. He enlisted in the early part of 1777, to serve for the period of Three years, and marched to the Northern

army, and whilst in the service of the Country died. I do not recollect the exact time of his death, but think it was sometime in, 1778. The Regiment was commanded by Col Charles Lewis. I am in the 78th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary

Army. William P. Hamlett [S13305] [1 Aug 1836]

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Virginia. Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify that John Claybrook was a Sergeant in Capt Michaux's company attached to 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment. He enlisted in the Spring of 1777, for the term of three years and marched to Head Quarters of the Northern Army. Whilst in the Northern Army and the service of his country, he died – but the exact period of his death, I do not recollect at this time. I am in the 83^d year of my age, and was a soldier in the Continental Army at that time.

John Foster [S1515]

[3 Oct 1836]

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