Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Mathew Drury VAS3422

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

In the case of Matthew Drury See 9th Hen. P179 [Hening's Statutes at Large Vol. 9 http://vagenweb.org/hening/vol09-09.htm] the act of Congress recited in the act of the Gen. Assembly, which promises continental bounty to all soldiers who should enlist during the continuance of the war. The act of the Gen Assembly 9th Hen P179 directs the nine regiments then already established to be reestablished and the enlistments to be made during the continuance of the War – the act of 1779 10th Hen P160 [http://vagenweb.org/hening/vol10-08.htm] promised to every noncommissioned officer who enlisted for the war 400 acres, and those who enlisted for three years & served to the end thereof or to the end of the war, were entitled to 200 acres

Drury was reported to Congress in 1828 as being entitled to his continental bounty. He therefore must have enlisted for the war & have served to the end thereof otherwise he would not be entitled to continental bounty – whether he enlisted for the war or not, he having served to the end therreof, would under the act 10 Hen P160 be entitled to 200 acres. The certificate from the bounty land office at Washington shews that he is entitled to Continental bounty. He was reported by the Executive of Virginia to the war Department at Washington as being entitled to Continental bounty.

War Department/ Bounty Land Office/ Decemb'r 14 1830

I certify that the name of Mathew Drury is returned on the records of the Virginia Continental line as a Sergeant of Artillery in said line at the close of the Revolutionary War, and entitled to bounty land from the U. States

Wm. Gordon First Clerk

It does not appear by the records of the Land Office that Mathew Drury has ever drawn a military warrant

W Selden Reg'r/ Dec 17 1830

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