## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Churchill Gordon VAS3732 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

The deposition of John Gordon Jr of Frederick County Virginia aged seventy years taken this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1834 This deponent being first sworn deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with Churchill Gordon dec'd, who served in the revolution war in the naval service as a midshipman that the said Churchill Gordon was his kinsman say first Cousin, that this deponent well remembers while he was a school boy about the age of 14 or 15 years and sent to school in the neighbourhood of the Father of said Churchill Gordon at [undeciphered] he was in the habit of visiting every Friday evening and returning to school on monday morning that the said Churchill Gordon was then in the naval service and this deponent has no recollection of ever seeing the said Churchill Gordon from that time untill the proclamation of peace and that he [undeciphered word] believes that the said Churchill Gordon was serving that time in the army of the revolution and serving as a midshipman and this deponent well remembers that when the said Churchill Gordon [undeciphered] into the naval service he went into one of the Row galleys as a private, but to his recollection [undeciphered] he served in the capacity of [several undeciphered words] time he was promoted to the rank of midshipman. This deponent further saith, that the said Churchill Gordon died and left the following children [undeciphered word] James A Gordon John H Gordon William L Gordon Eliza A Gordon Sarah L Gordon & Ann S Gordon and further this deponent saith not [illegible signature]

The deposition of John Gordon Sen'r. of Louisa County Virginia aged seventy three years taken this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1835 This deponent being first sworn deposeth and saith, that he was well acquainted with Churchill Gordon dec'd who served in the Revolutionary War in the naval service as a Midshipman That the said Churchill Gordon was his Brother, this deponent has no recollection at what time the said Churchill Gordon entered into the service but that he continued from the time he first entered into the service untill he returned home, which was some time after the Seige of York [19 Oct 1781]. This deponent further saith that the said Churchill Gordon died and left the following Children. Viz James A Gordon, John H Gordon William L Gordon Eliza A Gordon Sarah L Gordon and Ann S Gordon, and further this deponent saith not.

To the Executive of Virginia [Fauquier County, June 1835]

Your Memorialist, James A Gordon John H. Gordon, William L. Gordon John H. Digges who intermaried with Eliza A Gordon, Ludwell Digges who intermaried with Sarah L Gordon and William Blackwell who intermaried with Ann S Gordon, beg leave to represent that they constitute all the heirs of Churchill Gordon dec'd who was a Midshipman in the Revolutionary War your memorialist would respectfully ask that their claim for Bounty Land &c may be considered on the memorial, and that the evidence which they have [several undeciphered words] may be received and considered as touching their said claim and such like as the record of the Country may afford may also be referred to.

And they will ever pray

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