Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to James Watkinson and William Watkinson VAS4897 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

Accomack county, Virginia, Septem 1 1819.

Sir, Agreeable to the request of Severn E. Parker esquire, lately conveyed to me in his letter, I have added my signature the second time, to a certificate of the Services of James and William Watkinson, who were soldiers in the ninth Virginia regiment, at the time I was a Captain in the same regiment, during the War of the Revolution; and also agreeable to the request of Mr. Parker, I enclose papers respecting those claims and one in the name Smith Beasley [S38567]. Your humble Servant,

Jno. Cropper [John Cropper W3781]

The above was addressed to the Rev'd. Thomas S. HInde[?], Chillicothe, O

We the undersigning James Lewis and Francis Lewis now of the town of Chillicothe, in Ohio, but formerly of the County of Accomac in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify and declare that at the commencement of the Revolutionary war James Watkinson and William Watkinson, then of the County of Accomac, enlisted into the service of the United States, for the term of three years, in the Virginia line on the Continental establishment and in the Company of which Captain John Cropper held command – and further, that William Watkinson, before the termination of the period of his enlistment, died in the service of the United States and that James Watkinston, while in the service of the United States, was taken prisoner by the British and detained on board a prison ship making in service of the Union and in captivity the period of four years, or thereabout, from the day of enlistment to the day of release from captivity.

Given under our hands the 19 day of July 1821. James hisXmark Lewis Test/ Levin Belt Francis hisXmark Lewis