Pension application of Albert Russell VAS84
Transcribed by Will Graves 8/15/12

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do Certify that Lieutenant Albert Russell was legally appointed and Adjutant to the 8th Virginia Regiment the 1st of May 1779 and was the only Acting 1 till the year 1782 –
Given under my hand March 23rd, 1783

S/ Samuel Hawes, Lt. Col.

March 27th 17??
I do hereby Certify that Lieutenant Albert Russell was appointed and Officer in the Virginia Line the 9th of December 1776 & [indecipherable word or words] in said Service.

S/ P. Muhlenberg, BG

I do hereby Certify that Albert Russell was Appointed and Ensign in the 12th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, between the 12th of November, and 28th December 1776 – he
continued in service until the final close of the War in November 1783, having been promoted to
the rank of Lieutenant and Adjutant. – His reputation as an officer stood high in the Army.
Given under my hand this 2nd of August 1808

S/ James Wood, formerly B. Genl.
Continental Army

Albert Russell has drawn as a Lieutenant for 3 years Service. Certificate states "ending 9th
December 1777"
Land Office
2nd of August 1808    S/ C. Blagrove, Clk.