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Bounty Land Warrant information regarding William Washington BLWt2421-450 f6VA Transcribed by Will Graves 8/10/11 rev'd 9/25/18

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Va. Washington, William B.L.Wt.2421-450—Lt. Col.

Issued Mch. 7, 1798

No Papers¹

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia] 2-page file

Claim of the Heirs of Colonel William Washington

It appears by Register's Certificate that Colonel Washington on the 15th May 1783 had been in service for 7 years & was still in service – Colonel Blackwell's certificate shows that he remained in service to the end of the War which is more than 5 ½ months, if he be allowed to the day on which the Army was disbanded – But if limited to the time the treaty of peace was ratified – then he would be allowed for 4 months only.

The heir of Colonel Washington has written to me from Charleston South Carolina on the subject – desiring me to obtain this additional Bounty

Respectfully S/T. Green

This may Certify that Lieut. Colo. William Washington of Baylor's Light Dragoons of Virginia Horse on Continental establishment came into Service early in 1776 and is still an officer. Given under my hand May 15th 1783

S/G. Weedon B G [George Weedon, Brigadier General]

Culpeper County [VA]

I do certify that Col. Wm Washington was in service to the close of the war and I believe was there [?] from the commencement – Given under my hand this 26 September 1822

¹ The reason there are no surviving papers relating to this bounty land claim is that the offices of the War Department along with the papers filed there were destroyed by fire in 1800 and all pension and bounty land records predating that fire were destroyed. Further, pension and bounty land papers generated between the fire of 1800 and 1814 were lost when the British burned Washington DC on August 14, 1814.

S/ Jo. Blackwell, [Joseph Blackwell] Late Capt. 6th Va. Contl. Regt.

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Augusta County [VA]

I Certify Lt. Col. William Washington of the Cavalry served to the end of the war – Given under my hand this 16 September 1822

S/ Ro. Porterfield [Robert Porterfield]

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I concur in the above 22 Oct.

S/ Francis Brooke

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