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Pension application of Daniel Richardson¹ R86 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Daniel Richardson deceased Lieutenant Virginia State may be See letter to Honorable JD Taliaferro 30 June 1838 Letter to Sarah A Owens June 20, 1850 Resigned in 1779 not entitled under Act 5 July 8 leg 30 days

[f p. 3: Power of attorney dated June 30, 1837 executed in the District of Columbia – Alexandria by Elizabeth Richardson in which she styles herself as being of the Town of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and the sole heir at law of Daniel Richardson late of Virginia who was a Lieutenant in the Virginia State Navy in the War of the Revolution.

Elizabeth Michardoon

[f p. 4: family record: Thomas Thorpe Senior died 1773 November Daniel Richardson died January 17th 1800 in Fredericksburg Ann Richardson died 28th November 1774.]

District of Columbia Alexandria County: to wit

I Charles Scott a Justice of the peace in and for said County and District do hereby certify that Elizabeth Richardson within named hath this day in proper person delivered to meet the annexed Bible Leaf showing thereon the day – month and year and place of the decease of her Grandfather Daniel Richardson within named – and that the same as appears from said leave was the 17th of January 1800 in the town of Fredericksburg – Given under my hand this 30th day of June 1837.

S/ Charles Scott

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The following are copies of papers filed in the office of the Clerk of Henrico County Court to wit I do certify that Lieutenant Daniel Richardson died in Fredericksburg Virginia intestate, Thomas R. H. Richardson his son resided in the City of Washington DC at the time of his death and also died intestate and Elizabeth Richardson is the only heir of Daniel Richardson.

S/ Theo Thorpe

¹ Va. Half Pay Va. Sea Service

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I knew Daniel Richardson, within named, during the War of the Revolution, & to the time of his death in 1800 – He was a Lieutenant in the Virginia Navy in that War – And I living near the theater of the movements of that Naval force frequently saw said Richardson during his service in it – Richardson, no doubt became a supernumerary at the reduction of that Navy –See Henning 10th Vol. Page 450, – and was entitled to Half-Pay under the act of Virginia 15th of May 1779 – Certified 31st of June 1838

S/ John Taliaferro

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Tuesday the 17th day of November 1778

This Board doth recommend to his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable the Council Mr. Daniel Richardson as a proper person to be appointed a Lieutenant in the Navy of this Commonwealth –

Extracted from the Journal of the Navy Board

A True copy

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office at Richmond this 23rd day of January 1837 S/ Jas. E. Heath, Aud. P. Accts.

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 7th day of October 1784, in the name of Daniel Richardson, as a Lieutenant for £36.7.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Mr. Dickie and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 4th day of October 1836.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

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The name of Daniel Richardson is not returned on the List of Revolutionary Officers of the Virginia Continental Army, among those entitled to "Commutation pay" or bounty land, from the United States –

It appears that, on the 7th of October 1780 for a land warrant for 2666 2/3 acres was issued by the State of Virginia to Daniel Richardson for his services as a Lieutenant in the Navy of that state for 3 years. It further appears that, on 7th of October 1831 another warrant for 1333 1/3 acres was granted by the State aforesaid to or in right of the said Daniel Richardson, he having been originally entitled in virtue of his rank as a Lieutenant in the Navy of Virginia, to the same quantity of land as was allowed by that State to a Captain of the Army, to which, 4000 acres – neither Officers of the United States Navy or those of the Navies of any of the States were ever promised bounties in land by the General Government – For the facts and particulars in relation to the lands granted as above, I must refer you to the Register of the Land Office, at Richmond, in said state

[f p. 31]

I do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with Daniel Richardson formerly of Westmoreland County in the State of Virginia, and who died in the town of Fredericksburg – I know that he was a Lieutenant in the Virginia Navy in the War of the Revolution. I cannot say how long he served in said Navy, but shortly after the close of said War I became the purchaser of his Military Bounty land 2666 2/3 acres and I believe he had left the service about two years before I purchased said land. That is my impression at this time – Given under my hand this 11th day of May 1837

S/ William Payne,² of Fauquier County Virginia and a pensioner of the United States Government

The <u>Library of Virginia</u> online digital collection relating to bounty land claims honored by that state contains the following documents relating to this veteran:

I do hereby certify that Mr. Daniel Richardson entered with me in the State Navy the 9th [?] of June 1776 & served until the 21st [?] of October 1778 & was then appointed Lieutenant & served until the 10th of July 1779

A Copy

S/ Wm Sanders Capt. Virginia State Navy September 7th 1783

22nd of August 1784 Mr. Dickie is authorized to settle & received satisfaction for the within Certificate A Copy S/ Daniel Richardson

² <u>http://www.revwarapps.org/s8938.pdf</u>