## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Kerns [Kernes, Kuerns] VAS1052 <u>vsl 3VA</u>
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## [From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

This is to Certify that John Kernes [sic] enlisted into the Continental Virginia line in the service of the United States of America in January 1780 to serve during the War and died sometime after the Siege of Charles Town. Given under my hand January 25<sup>th</sup> 1785

S/ James Wright, Late Captain Continental Virginia line

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Fauquier to wit: Came before us Two of the Justices of the said County Elizabeth Stadler and made oath that she is the Mother of John Kerns and that she is heir to the said John Kerns and that he was a soldier in the Army and was taken a prisoner in Charles Town [probably Charleston South Carolina, May 12, 1780] and there died. Certified under our hand this first day of January 1785

S/ Jeremiah Damalt S/ A. Churchill

Sir Pleas to deliver certificate for my land Warrant to James Wright S/ Elizabeth Stadler 22 January 1785

Col. Meriwether

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