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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to David Kirkpatrick VAS1098 Transcribed by Will Graves vsl 12/

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Fauquier County

I do certify that I knew Captain David Kirkpatrick of the Virginia Continental line – he was in service at the end of the war and had been a long time in service – Given under my hand the 30th September 1822 –

S/ Jo. Blackwell, Late [Joseph Blackwell?] Captain 6th Virginia Continental Regiment

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I was acquainted with a gentleman by the name of Kirkpatrick in the Virginia line on Continental establishment but do not recollect his Christian name. I had supposed to live near Pittsburgh & to be an officer in the Regiment commanded by General Wood [James Wood] & afterwards by Colonel Neville. I left Captain Kirkpatrick in the Army & never heard of his resignation.

S/ J. Marshall [John Marshall, Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court]

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To his Excellency the Governor and the Honorable Council of the State of Virginia

Your Petitioner David Kirkpatrick of the Borough of Wilmington in the State of Delaware would respectfully represent that he in the year of 1777 was commissioned an Ensign in the Virginia Continental Regiment then commanded by Colonel Oliver Towles – that in about seven months after he was promoted to a Lieutenant in the same Regiment and was afterwards in the year 1779 raised to a Captain Lieutenant and served as such to the close of the War in 1783 – and was in the following battles to wit, the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] – Springfield New Jersey [June 23, 1780], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], White Marsh [December 5-8, 1777] and Yorktown Virginia [terminating in the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and his Army on October 19, 1781] and was wounded in battle at Springfield, as also at the siege of York Town being a severe wound received in the shoulder while on the forlorn hope in storming the right Battery previous to forming our second parallel line. – That he served from the aforesaid time of his entering the Army in 1776 to the close of the war in 1783 was never cashiered or suspended, Your petitioner never received the Bounty land warrants which were promised to him for his said Military services, and which he prays your Honorable body to grant him, and in duty bound will ever pray.

Wilmington December 24th, 1822

S/D. Kirkpatrick, Captain Lieutenant in Virginia Continental line

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