Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Jenkins [Jinkins] VAS1170 vsl 1VA
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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

It appears from the size roll of 5th Troop that John Jinkins enlisted for the war in the 3rd L. D. [Light Dragoons] July 12th 1781 and served until the mutiny May 83

Genuine A Crump Commissioner Wm Barrett formerly Captain [William Barrett]

Baylor's Dragoons 28 April 1785

For value received I do Assigned to Edward Valentine the full balance of my pay & bounty of land that is due for my services as a Soldier for the war witness my hand this 5th day of December 1784

Test S/ Mat. Newlin, X his mark

S/ John Jinkins, X his mark

For value received I do assigned the right of John Jinkinses pay & land to William Reynolds March 31st: 1785

S/ Edwd Valentine

Test S/D. Valentine

(Copy) S/Wm Lyne

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¹ Veteran must have been a participant in the mutiny which occurred in Baylor's Corps in South Carolina. E. M. Sanchez-Saavedra, *A Guide to Virginia Military Organizations in the American Revolution, 1774-1787* (Westminster MD: Heritage Books, 2007, p 104) states: "On November 9, 1782, the 1st and 3d regiments of Continental Light Dragoons were merged into a unit of five troops, nominally commanded by the ailing George Baylor, but actually commanded by Major [John] Swan. The consolidated regiments remained in South Carolina until peace was declared. On hearing of the peace, about half the men elected Sergeant-Major William Dangerfield as their leader, seized the remaining horses, and rode homeward. By their mutiny they forfeited their pensions and bounty lands. The other cavalrymen, unhorsed by the mutineers, were eventually picked up by a troop transport and taken home by sea to collect their discharges."