Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Julian VAS1341 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Corporation of Fredericksburg State of Virginia

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the Corporation aforesaid Ann Brown who being duly sworn states that she is now seventy-nine years old, that she is the widow of Captain James Brown who was an officer in the revolution and that she has lived in that place for 63 years, that she well knew Doctor John Julian who was their family Physician: – that during the revolutionary War Dr. John Julian resided in that place & she knows that after the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown [October 19, 1781] a part of the prisoners were marched to Fredericksburg and placed at the alum Spring Hospital near to this town where he attended as Continental Surgeon on the sick of both American & British till the end of the War.

S/ Ann Brown, X her mark

[Attested July 30, 1831]

I hereby certify that I was well acquainted with Doctor John Julian in the revolutionary war, and I do further certify that the said Julian acted as Surgeon in the United States Army in the Continental line and continued in service to the end of the war.

Harry Chew

[Attested in Spotsylvania County Virginia January 12, 1833]

State of Virginia Corporation of Fredericksburg

Before me a Justice of the Peace for the Corporation aforesaid appeared Richard Johnston aged 72 years who being duly sworn states that after the surrender at Yorktown he marched up with the British prisoners to Fredericksburg. That there was a Hospital at the Allum Spring near to Fredericksburg where Dr. John Julian did attend as Continental Surgeon on the sick both British and American until the end of the war to the best of his knowledge & belief

S/ Richard Johnston¹

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[Attested July 25, 1831 in Fredericksburg Virginia]

Corporation of Fredericksburg State of Virginia

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the Corporation aforesaid John England aged 76 who being duly sworn states that he personally knew Doctor John Julian and that he has heard old and respectable man save that Doctor John Julian acted as a Continental Surgeon in the Revolutionary war which he believes to be true.

Given under my hand and seal this 19th day of October 1831

S/ John England (Seal)

Spotsylvania County Virginia to wit

Personally appeared before me a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, Edward Herndon aged 76 years, who being first duly sworn saith That in the latter part of the year 1779 he was appointed to act as Commissary of issues at Fredericksburg, where Doctor John Julian acted as Hospital Surgeon, and gave orders for rations for the soldiers in the Hospital. That after the surrender of Cornwallis a part of the prisoners were marched to Fredericksburg part of them were sick, and were sent to the Alum Springs about two miles from the town, and although they had a Surgeon with them Doctor Julian attended them, and gave orders for their rations, to the best of this affiant's recollection, Doctor Charles Mortimer acted as Surgeon for a short time, but whether as an assistant to Doctor Julian or not he cannot say. He believes that Doctor Julian attended upon the sick in the Hospital as long as this affiant remained in the issuing department which was to the end of the war, or as long as rations were called for, and until all the stores both of the Commissary and Quarter Master in Fredericksburg war ordered to be sold.

S/ Edward Herndon²

Edward Fornden

[Attested June 26, 1831 in Spotsylvania County Virginia]

I have been requested by the representatives of Doctor John Julian to state my acquaintance with & knowledge of Mr. James Heath, whose Certificate of Doctor Julian's revolutionary services is given on this paper.

I have been acquainted with Mr. Heath intimately I may say for more than 30 years, Mr. H. being considerably advanced in life; & a more worthy & her up right man, I have never known = of purer integrity or of sounder principles – of course, the utmost reliance may be placed in the correctness & Verity of any statement Mr. Heath may make.

Given under my hand at Fredericksburg the 23rd of June 1833 S/ Hugh Mercer

² Probably the same man as Edward Herdon [sic, Herndon] S30478

[p 9: Heath's statement is illegible as posted online]

To the Executive of Virginia

The petition of Charles Julian, Samuel W Skinker [?]³ and Margaret his wife, formerly Margaret Julian, only heirs of Doctor John Julian deceased – respectfully show –

That the said Doctor John Julian the father of your Petitioners Charles & Margaret as they are informed and believe acted as Hospital Surgeon to an establishment of that sort erected in the vicinity of the Town of Fredericksburg – for the whole of the Revolutionary War, or a considerable portion of it, and until its termination – as they respectfully suggest the accompanying proofs show – he it appears never received any Compensation in any form for these long continued services – he died soon after the War, and the mother of your Petitioners also was his administratrix, never thought of such a claim form her unacquaintance with matters of that sort = nor did your Petitioners no that such a claim was capable of successful prosecution until recently – which they offer as some excuse for the time which has elapsed since the close of this History.

They submit their claim to the Justice of the Executive & pray that it may be disposed of as the Law of the land, and its own merit's may authorize; And will end duty bound ever pray &c.

S/ Charles Julian
S/ Samuel W. Skinker
S/ Margaret Skinker
&
S/ D. Briggs at their
request

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18 November 1831

This is to certify that I well knew Doctor John Julian in the revolutionary war in the fall of 1779 and the said John Julian was then a Surgeon in the United States Army and Continental line, and continued to serve to the end of the war.

S/ Richard Custis

[Attested Stafford County, September 2nd, 1833]

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