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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Lott Harcum VAS1382 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

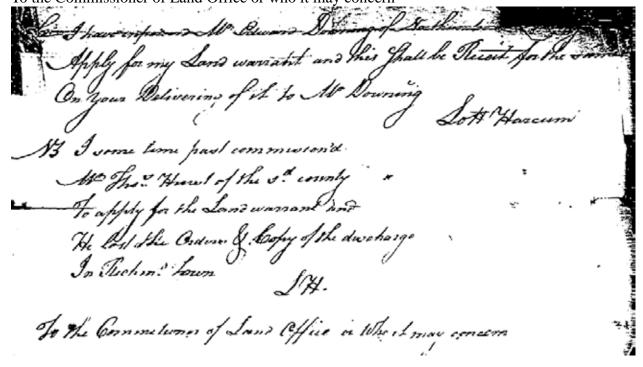
Sir, I have empowered Mr. Edward Downing of Northampton County to Apply for my Land warrant and this shall be the Receipt for the same On your Delivery of it to Mr. Downing S/ Lott Harcum

N.B.

I some time past commissioned Mr. Thos. Hurst of the said County to apply for the Land warrant and he Lost the Order & copy of the discharge In Richmond Town

L. H.

To the Commissioner of Land Office or who it may concern



This is to Certify that Lot Harcum enlisted with me the 1 Jany 1778 to serve in the Navy as Midshipman the term of three years which time he served true and faithfully and is hereby discharged.

Jno Thomas¹ Command of the *Protector*² Galley 1 Jany 1781

Copy Jno. Carter

I hereby authorize Captain John Thomas to settle the within Claim S/Lot Harcum

Copy John Carter, Jr.

[See also the transcription of the papers in the file of Elisha Henry Harcum VAS1381 posted simultaneously with the posting of this transcript.]

When the Virginia Navy Galley *Protector* was captured and burned at Wicomico Warehouse on 7 July 1779, her captain, John Thomas, and the remaining crew were transferred to the *Dragon*. After remaining with her for a short time they were again transferred to the ship *Washington*. Isaac Booth, from the *Protector*, was listed as a pilot aboard the *Dragon* on 2 September 1779 and 7 October 1779.

http://www.awiatsea.com/sn/VA/Dragon%20Virginia%20Navy%20Ship-

Galley%20%5bCallender%20Markham%20Singleton%20Travis%20Chandler%20Joel%5d.html

¹ John Thomas R100

² Ken Kellow has the following note regarding the *Protector*: