Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Harrald VAS1403 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia] [heavily edited]

This is to Certify that the bearer hereof John Harrald formerly a Sarg[balance of word illegible] in the 8 Virginia Regiment has Duly and faithfully served the term of three years for which he was enlisted for and at his own request is hereby Discharged from any further service in the Army of the United States and is permitted to pass to his home in Botod County free and unmolested. Given under my hand at Camp near Valley Forge this 12 day of June in the year 1779

S/Charles Scott B. G.

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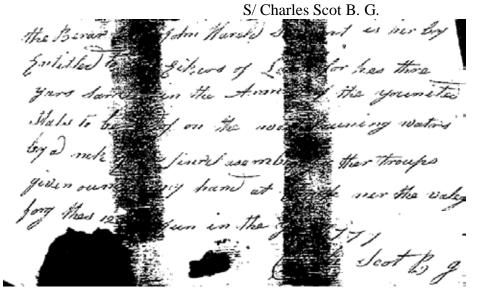
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[Transcribers note: I am very suspicious that the above document is a forgery because the spelling and handwriting does not appear to me to be consistent with other documents signed by

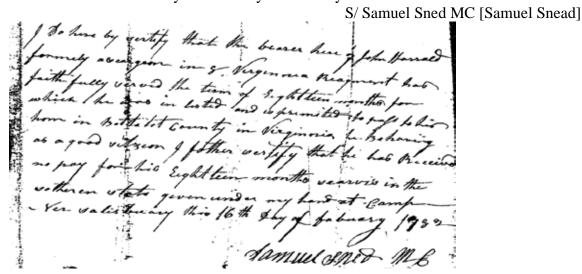
Charles Scott as a Brigadier General in the Virginia Continental line. The same applies for the following document. Note for example the inability of "Charles Scott" to spell his name consistently.]

The Bearer hereof John Harald Sergeant is hereby entitled to [indecipherable word or words] eikers [acres] of Land for his three years Service in the Army of the United States to be [indecipherable word or words] on the [indecipherable word or words] watres [orders] by a [indecipherable word or words] general Assembly for the troops.

Given under my hand at Camp near the Valley Forge this 12 day of June in the year 1779.



I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof John Harrald formally a surgeon in 8 Virginia Regiment has faithfully served the term of Eighteen months for which he was enlisted and is permitted to pass to his home in Botetourt County in Virginia he behaving as a good citizen I further certify that he has received no pay for his Eighteen months service in the southern states given under my hand at Can near Salisbury this 16th day of February 1782



[Power of attorney dated January 30, 1819 signed by John Harrald of Wilkes County North

Carolina appointing Alexander McKenzie of Wilkes County North Carolina as his attorney to pursue his claim for land warrant due him for his services during the revolutionary war.

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Know all men by these presents that I John Harrald Senior of the County of Wilkes and State of North Carolina have bargained and sold unto Alexander McKenzie my claim for 330 acres of land to which I am entitled for services rendered by me in the Revolutionary Army and I have bargained & sold unto said McKenzie my claim for Eighteen months pay for services rendered by me during the Revolutionary war in the southern states & I bind myself, my heirs, assignees, executors & administrators to have no recourse on said McKenzie for the chance [?] of said claims [indecipherable word or words] one hundred fifty dollars the amount in full for my said claims.

Given under my hand and seal this the 30th day of January 1819 S/John Harrald

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North Carolina Wilkes County:

This day John Harrald personally appeared before me John Saintclair one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County who being duly sworn in due form of law saith that the above is his original discharge from the Army of the United States in the revolutionary war and that he has not drawn the warrant for his land to which he is entitled for his said services in the Army of the United States nor empowered & authorized any person to apply for the same but Alexander G. McKenzie. Sworn & subscribed to before me this 5th day of February 1819. S/ John Saintclair, JP

S/ John Harrald