## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of Mitchell Harvell VAS1430 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

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Report upon the claim of the heirs of Mitchell Harvel, a Soldier of the Continental Line, for bounty land for his services

To Governor Tazewell Sir,

None of the public documents to which I have access furnish any positive proof which has any bearing upon this claim. The name of Mitchell Harvel has not been found on the Army Register, either of the Continental, or State line.

No soldier of that name appears to have received bounty land for his services.

The testimony of living witnesses, which the Petitioners have offered, proves the following facts – to wit –  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

That Mitchell Harvel enlisted sometime in the year 1776 for the term of three years in the Continental service – that he served the said term of three years; and when it expired, he enlisted for the war – that he died in [the image of this document is cut off at the bottom thereof at this point]

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miah Scoggins – Thomas Butler and Herbert Heath; of home, the first named has been proved a credible witness.)

The above are all the facts of this case, which I have in my power to report.

Respectfully submitted John H Smith, Commissioner &c 13<sup>th</sup> April 1833 State of Virginia Prince George County

Personally came before me Thomas Butler and Herbert Heath who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that Mitchell Harvel of Prince George & State aforesaid enlisted in the [indecipherable word] Service in the War against Great Britain for the term of three years that he served out said Term of service and then enlisted during the War and that sometime after this enlistment said Mitchell Harvel died that they do not know the officers he was under nor the Regiment he belonged to but was well acquainted with said Mitchell Harvel these deponents further state that they never knew any other person of the name of Mitchell Harvel and fully believes said horrible never received any Compensation for said Services these deponents further state that the first enlistment of Mitchell Harvel was in 1776 in the fall of the year. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8<sup>th</sup> July 1834.

Sworn to and subscribed before

S/ Hardiman Webb, JP

S/ Thomas Butler, X his mark S/ Herbert Heath, X his mark

[p 8] State of Virginia Prince George County to wit

The undersigned Heirs of Mitchell Harvell beg leave respectfully to present their Memorial for land Bounty to the Executive of Virginia and in support thereof to submit the following statement that your memorialist are now Citizens of the State of Virginia and Prince George County that said Mitchell Harvel enlisted for the term of three years under Captain Call [perhaps William Call of Prince George County] who was soon after Major Call and are induced to believe that Banester was his Colonel, that he enlisted in the fall of 1776 which time he served out that he then enlisted during the war that sometime after said reenlistment he died the last enlistment was in the South under Lieutenant Colonel Rugby Downman [Raleigh Downman] your memorialist verily believes themselves entitled to Land Bounty for his Services aforesaid and are induced to this Conclusion more from the reports of others than from knowledge they themselves possess on the subject they therefore believe that the claim can received the advantages of an investigation by the Commissioner appointed therefore that it will be fully shown they respectfully ask that this case may be considered and that such a disposition may be made thereof as that right and Justice may be done. Signed this 18 of November 1834

Peter Harvell nephew to Mitchell Harvel Gray Harvell nephew do Ann Harvel widow of Richard Harvell nephew

