Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to James Hendricks VAS1490 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 22nd day of March 1787, in the name of James Hendricks, as a Lt. Colo. for £232.0.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to General Wood [James Wood] and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782. To wit – as Lieutenant Colonel from one January 1777 to 22 August & from 22 August 2 22 March 1778.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 13th day of January 1834.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Friday January 12, 1776

"Resolved that the said James Hendricks be appointed Major to the 6th Regiment" – 1776 January H. D. [?] 94

Thursday October 10, 1776

Resolved that the following promotions & appointments the made in the Virginia Battalions Viz.

James Hendricks Lieutenant Colonel of the 6th commission to be dated 13th August Journal Congress [?] p. 512 Vol. 1

I Thomas Minor¹ of the County of Spotsylvania & State of Virginia being upwards of eighty years of age, do certify that I was a Captain of Infantry in the revolutionary War, that I was acquainted with Major James Hendricks of the 6th Virginia Regiment & that he was wounded at the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] & after his recovery he joined the Army again & continued in service for some time. And this Affiant thinks he was in the service in the year 1779 but will not be positive. That he never heard of Major Hendricks' resigning his commission & that he appeared fond of a Military life – further this affiant saith not.

¹ Thomas Minor W5374

Given under my hand this 9th day of August 1833

S/ Thos. Minor

[Attested in Spotsylvania County August 9th, 1833]

To the Governor of Virginia

Your petitioners the heirs of D. Griffith representative of Major James Hendricks respectfully state that he was appointed on the 12 January 1776 Major of the 6th Virginia Regiment & on the 10th of October following was promoted by Congress to the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel of that Regiment to take date from 13 August. He was wounded at the Battle of Germantown & after his recovery joined the Army again & continued in service more than 3 years without resigning his Commission.

They respectfully asked the allowance of Land bounty to them for said [one or more indecipherable words] service.

S/ T. Green Attorney P. ?

Muster Roll of the Field & Staff officers of the 6th Virginia Regiment for the month of August 1777

Names	Rank	Time of appointment
James Hendricks	Lieutenant Colonel	13 th August 1776
James Johnson	Major (resigned)	
Oliver Towles ²	Major	15 th August 1777
John Hurt	Chaplin	first October 1776
John Roberts ³	Surgeon	1776

&c &c &c &c Signed James Hendricks

James Hendricks Lt. Col.

Copy from a pay roll or muster roll in the Commissioner's Office

From the above it seems that John Hurt was Chaplin of the 6th Regiment in October 1776 – which affords strong presumptive proof that William Dunlap was not the Chaplin. The stronger presumption is that Francis Franklin Dunlap was the first Chaplin, & his dying, John Hurt was appointed in his place.

S/ Henry Buchanan

proves that Franklin Dunlap was in Chaplin in Colonel Buckner's Regiment – Upon reference to

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² Oliver Towles BLWt2213-450

³ John Roberts S4792

the Journals of Congress, volume 1st, Page 263, it will be found that Mordecai Buckner was appointed Colonel of the 6th Regiment by Congress in the 13th February 1776 – a circumstance that strongly [indecipherable word]⁴ the accuracy of H. Buchanan's recollection. And consideration on this case is respectfully prayed of the Governor & Council by the Heirs

[Note: another file indexed under the name James Hendricks, Major refers to the papers in the file of Captain John Watkins, 1839]

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