

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Isaac Holmes VAS1583

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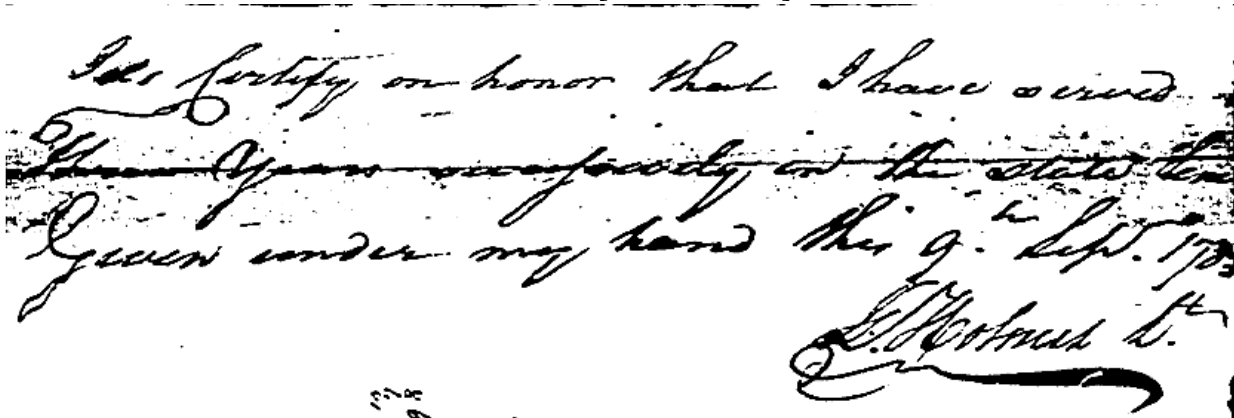
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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I do Certify on honor that I have served Three Years successively in the State Line.

Given under my hand this 9th September 1783

S/ Is Holmes, Lt. [Isaac Holmes]



The image shows a handwritten signature in cursive script. The text of the signature reads: "I do Certify on honor that I have served Three Years successively in the State Line Given under my hand this 9th Sept. 1783". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background. There is a small mark below the signature that appears to be "98".

[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Nottoway County Legislative Petitions

To the Honorable the General Assembly of Virginia

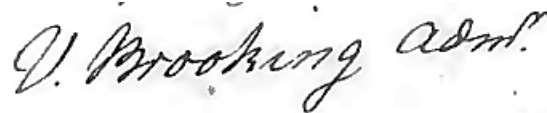
The Petition of Vivian Brooking Administrator of Isaac Holmes deceased, and Elizabeth Thacker Holmes widow of the said Isaac and Guardian to Frances Thacker Holmes, Margaret Brooking Homes, Lucy Holmes, John Ballard Holmes and Vivian Brooking Holmes Orphan Children of the said Isaac Holmes deceased being all under the Age of thirteen.

Humbly Sheweth that said Isaac Holmes by his intermarriage with the said Elizabeth, one of your Petitioners, became possessed of sundry Slaves, Stock & household furniture, also at the time of his Death was entitled to commutation as Lieutenant in the 2nd Virginia State Regiment and a Claim to Lands in the Western Country for his said Military Service: He was also indebted to Sundry Persons to a very large amount, so that after dispersing all the Money which could be obtained from his Commutation Certificate and all that there is a probability of collecting in any short time from the Debts due him, as also the Prophets from the Crops made on his Plantation, which he purchased a little time before his Death, but had not paid for it, there are still Demands

for upwards of three hundred Pounds. Now as your Petitioners think it would be more convenient & advantageous for the Orphans to keep the Negroes Stock & household furniture for their immediate support and maintenance and sell the Military Lands or so much of them as shall be sufficient to complete the payment of the Debts, it being the intention of the said Isaac Holmes in his life time (as your Petitioners often heard him express) to sell those Lands & realize the Money more convenient and as they are now beginning to be an Expense by the Tax in that State, and by the time the Orphans will come of age to be benefited by them, great part will be lost or consumed, and perhaps the Title may become precarious by the lapse of time. We therefore pray that the Administrator or some Person or Persons whom your Honours may think proper to a point, under the inspection of the Worshipful Court of Nottoway may be authorized to comply so far with the Intentions of the Intestate as to sell the said Military Lands or so much as will discharge the Balance of the Debts, and permit the Guardian to retain in her hands the Negroes, Stock & Household furniture for the use of herself and the Orphans, and your Petitioners as in Duty bound shall pray &c

S/ V. Brooking Admr.

S/ Eliza. T. Holmes, Guardn



[Reverse]

Brooking Administrator of homes Petition & [indecipherable word or abbreviation]

November 14th

Cts. Justice

November 21st 1795

Rejected

Reported