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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Thomas Hopewell VAS1596 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

Loudoun [Virginia] Sct.

This day Thomas Hopewell was brought before me on suspicion of his being a Deserter from the Continental Army & on Examination of Edward Rinker one of the sergeants belonging to the Company wherein the said Hopewell was enrolled who swears that the said Hopewell was left in the Hospital at Philadelphia about the month of January last when the Regiment was on the March to the Southward & that sometime about the middle of April following he came to the Town of Leesburg Virginia when his Time for which he was enlisted as appears by the Muster Roll properly signed, was expired on which I have thought proper to acquit him. Given under my hand this 11th day of September 1780

S/ Francis Peyton
Lt. L. Cty [Lieutenant Loudoun County]

I hereby Certify that Thomas Hopewell was enlisted in my Regiment in this State & belonged to the Quota of the same & from the above circumstances with which I am acquainted is to be considered as having served his 3 years in the Continental Service. Given under my hand at Dumfries this 26 December 1783

S/ Willm Grayson, Colo [William Grayson]¹

We hereby certify that the above are true copies of the originals lodged in the Auditors Office. Given under our hands this 12th day of April 1784

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Sir Be pleased to send by the bearer a Certificate of my right to Land for services performed in the Continental Army & oblige

Your Humble Serve S/ Thomas Hopewell, X his mark October 25, 1783

To his Excellency

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the Governor Witness Jos. [?] Noland, X his mark