

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Lawrence House VAS1619

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

The Heirs of Lawrence House ask that they may be allowed the proportion of land allowed a Captain in the State line from July 1776 to the End of the War.

Ry'd [?] to November 1833

February 13, 1834

Allowed for 3 years

J. J.

Captain State line

Cft. is'd

J.B.R., A

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia State 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 18th day of December 1783, in the name of Lawrence House, as a Captain of Infantry for £172.3.8, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
first day of November 1833.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Reference to record evidence for the service of Lieutenant House in 1776 see Journals of the House of Representatives volume first lower part of page 427

[several illegible pages: p. 4 contains an acknowledgement of an affidavit by Elizabeth Lucas given in Greenville County Virginia on July 29, 1833 – the acknowledgment is the only portion of this document which is legible.]

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Williamsburg 18th October 1777
 Lieut. Lawrence House 1877
 1/8 Ounces Col. Mason
 To Linnenies for 13 men 107.
 1/2 65 yards Fearnought a 12j . . . 39.0.0
 Rec^d by Lawrence House Lt

Labels & by book } a line extant from an old book in
 Public Store Williamsburg } the office of Lt Heath
 1 Nov 1833

Williamsburg Dec^r 11th 1777
 Lt Lawrence House for Dr. Col. Mason
 To 11 yards bro Cloth @ 80 44.0.0
 11 ditto red serge @ 11 6.1.0
 27 lbs Thriss @ 24 do silk 3 15.0
 Twist 2: 4 doz Buttons @ 2: 10 -
 6 doz "sm" ditto @ 1/3 3/8 shillings @ 3: 15 -
 7 yd Linnen @ 1/2 Drancrip @ 8: 4.9. -
 Lawrence House Lt 56.10.

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 Public Store Williamsburg
 the office of Lt Heath
 1 Nov 1833

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Williamsburg March 13th 1778.
 Capt. Lawrence House for Dr. Col. Mason Dr.
 To 3 Blankets 2.30.
 Rec^d by Philip Morby

a line extant from an old book in the
 Public Store Williamsburg
 the office of Lt Heath
 1 Nov 1833

Williamsburg November 7th 1778.
 Merchants Acct 1877
 To Capt. Lawrence House for 44 yd Linnen @ 11/2 26.3.0
 3 yd Shalloon a 1/2 yd Linnen
 returned off 9th det^o for Linnen Sold Clothing.

Williamsburg 26th May 1779.
 Amount of this months sales bet forward
 Cash 1877
 To Delegates in Assembly of State Linnen 100
 for 18 yd for Shavers County 18.10. -
 To Capt. Lawrence House rec^d for
 Mr. Allen & Allen 42.18. -
 59.8. -

The figures are extant from an old book in the
 Public Store Williamsburg
 the office of Lt Heath
 1 Nov 1833

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Dr. The Commonwealth of Virginia in acc. with Lawrence Smith Esq. Sp

1778

August 18th to Capt. Lawrence House .. Pay Roll to August 15th .. 216.12. —

1778

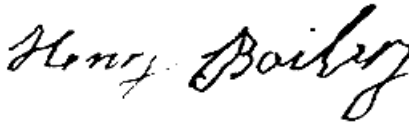
Septem^r: 19th to Capt. Lawrence House .. L^{co} 201.5 —

*The foregoing are collated from the accounts
of Lawrence Smith Pay Master to the State Artillery
held in the military office of H. H. Heath
and off. Nov. 1833*

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I do Certify that I was well acquainted with Captain Lawrence House, I perfectly recollect that Captain House enlisted in Light Infantry Company about the year 1776 or 1777. I understood that he marched to Williamsburg, I cannot recollect that I saw or heard of him after that until about the year 1781 when the British was about to attack Petersburg. I was in the Company commanded by Captain Smith who marched to Prince George old Court House where we met Captain Lawrence House then commanding a Company. We continued to [word too faint to discern] the enemy until we arrived at Petersburg. Captain House was a brave and valiant officer, After the Battle of Petersburg [April 25, 1781] I do not recollect of having seen or heard of Captain House until after the war was over. Given under my hand this 26th day of June 1833

S/ Henry Bailey¹



[Attested in Suffolk County Virginia June 26, 1833]

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I do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with Lawrence House a Captain in the Virginia State Line. As to the date of his Commission I know nothing. I well recollect that he commanded a company and was stationed at Williamsburg about the year 1777 that he was about that time sent to the County of Brunswick to recruit Artificers that I was under his command at the Battle of Petersburg. The action was brought on by Captain House who was a brave and intrepid officer that the forces were commanded by Baron Steuben & General Muhlenberg. I do not recollect whether he commanded at the siege of York Town or not that he was there is my impression. The battle in Petersburg took place I think in the latter part of April 1781.

S/ Frederick Hobbs²



¹ [Henry Bailey S8053](#)

² I could find no other evidence of this veteran's service in the Revolution. This affidavit MAY be the evidence thereof.

[Attested in Greenville County Virginia July 19, 1833.]