Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Jesse Carter VAS1834

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[From Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection/ Buckingham County – Lee, Grisham]

To the Honb'l. the Speaker and Gent'm. of the House of Delegates of the Assembly of Virginia The Petition of Grisham Lee and James Patteson, Humbly sheweth that on the 29th day of Aug't. 1780 agreeable to Act of Assembly for the purpose of Recruiting this states quota of Troops for the Continantel Armey [see endnote] the Commissioners under the s'd. law did meet at the Court House for the County Buckingham & lay'd of the said County into Diferent divisions or Districts Numbering the same making one of the No. 12 in which y'r. petitioners are Included with others as will appeare by having Referance to to the list No. 12. Amoungst the exempts allotted to the aforesaid Division was the estate of Walter King, which by Assm't. made in the year 1779 amounted to £308.2.2 which by law was to have paid a porpotion towards recruting a substitute for the said division, but so it was all the said estate in the County aforesaid was sold in the month of Febuary 1780 (before the Division was lay'd off) by the escheator for the aforesaid County under the Act of Assembly entitled an act Concerning escheats & Forfitures from British subjects and for other purposes, whereby y'r. Petitioners was deprived of the profitt arising from the said estate towards recruting a substitute for the s'd Division who did Assimble togeather on the 6th day of September in the same year & appointed Grisham Lee one of y'r. petitioners to enlist a substitute and Directed him the s'd Lee to give as far as five thousand pounds, which at that time was no more than other Divisions had agreed to give, your petitioners did join themselves togeather and made a contract with a certain Jesse Carter to substitute himself for the aforesaid 12th Division and advanced to the said Carter the sum of Five thousand pounds which was paid to him as will appear by his receip's of the 9th Oct'r. 1780 for £3554.13.10 which was in part of the above £5000... that the said Jesse Carter on the 9th Oct'r 1780 was rece'd by Colo. Charles May as substitute for the s'd 12th Division will appeare from the s'd May's receipt but so it is may it please this Honb'l House y'r. petitioners conceive that as the Estate of the said Walter King was sold under the Laws of the Commonwealth & the money apply'd for the use of the same, you will take their case under y'r serious consideration & direct that they be paid so much as that the said estate ought to have paid to them as its porpotion of the said five Thousand pounds which an Intrest, and as in Duty bound will pray &c &c

Wm. Cannon Escheator for Buckingham has not render'd any Acc't. of the Sales of Escheated Estates in the s'd. County though he has mad payments on that account to the am't. of £120,000 – p'd in the [several undeciphered words] 1780 [several undeciphered words] particularizing the Estates Aud. Office 23 Nov. 95

Nov'r 23rd 1795 Claims/ Reasonable/ Report made out

Information of John Moseley and L. Allen that they know that Walter Kings Estate was sold by the Escheator of Buckingham

NOTE: Under the May 1780 "Act for speedily recruiting the quota of this state for the continental army" each county's militia was to be laid off into divisions and one man out for every 15 between the ages of 18 and 50 not otherwise engaged in active duty was to serve 18 months in the Continental Army. http://vagenweb.org/hening/vol10-12.htm