Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Petition of Lockett Mitchell VAS1981

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relating to Daniel Dunnivant, Simon Golding, William Belcher (Balchen?), Edward Walker and Alexander Elley

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[From <u>Digital Library of Virginia</u>] Greensville County Legislative Petitions

[Note: I have included the following petition in this database because I believe that some or all of the men mentioned in it MAY have been granted Military Certificates for services rendered by them during the Revolution. Since none of the men named in the Certificates otherwise appears in the pension records, this may be the only existing evidence of their service.]

To the Honorable Assembly of the State of Virginia the Petition of Lockett Mitchell Humbly Sheweth

That he is one of the under Sheriffs of the County of Greensville and in the course of his transactions with divers Persons became possessed of nine Military Certificates of the following description: viz.

One No. 8501 dated 22 nd January 1783 for	£89.4.3
Do 8502 do 28 th of November [1783]	15.8.3
Do the No. and date unknown	
granted to Daniel Dunnivant	15.11.8
Do To Simon Golding for	54.16.5
Do To William Belcher [could be William Balchen)	15.12.0
Do to Edward Walker	56.14.8
Do to Alexander Elley with the 9 th years Interest due thereon	59.11.6
Do in whose name unknown	16.8.0

He further Sheweth that he had the said Certificates with him as he was traveling the Road from Petersburg to Hicks's for which Road crosses Nottoway River at Captain Robert Walker's Mill and where he came to examine his papers on his return the 19th day of June last past he discovered that he had lost them out of his pocket and in consequence thereof Immediately made diligent search for the same not only by personal inquiry but by Advertising the same in the public Papers, both of which modes had hitherto proved ineffectual nor hath your Petitioner yet been informed anything thereof which Accident must Operate to the prejudice of your Petitioner and to the emoluments of the State unless he be relieved by the resolution and order of this Honorable house.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that on his giving such bond and Security as this

House shall judge proper and right, that the Auditor may be directed to Issued duplicates of the said Certificates and deliver them to your Petitioner who shall as in duty bound ever pray &c S/ Lockett Mitchell

[Reverse]

Mitchell's petition 4th of November 1791 referred to Propositions reas [reasonable?] (except the last) rejected as to last of £16.8.6 Reported