Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Edward Armstrong VAS2282 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia. Online images of two documents are illegible.]

I David Kirkpatrick [VAS1098] of the Borough of Wilminton [sic: Wilmington] in the County of New Castle and State of Delaware, a Capt. Lieutenant in the Revolutionary War, Do Certify that I knew in the service Lieutenant Edward Armstrong. he was in the spring of 1777 appointed a Lieut. in the Virginia Continental Regiment then commanded by Major Commandant Oliver Towles [BLWt2213-450] (afterwards promoted to Colonel) he served until some time in the summer of 1780 when he was detached as a supernumery [sic: supernumerary: with insufficient troops for a command] officer and sent home, to return to the army when ordered but he continued in the service untill the close of the War in 1783 he was in the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] and Monmoth [28 Jun 1778], and received a severe wound in His thigh in the latter battle. — Given under my hand this 21st day of August 1822.

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The Petition of Rebecca Armstrong, Sarah, William, Robert, Edward and Thomas Armstrong children and heirs of Edward Armstrong, respectfully state,

That their father was a Lieutenant of the Virginia Continental Line during the Revolution from the spring of the year 1777 until the End of the War, but never received his land Bounty. They have procured the affidavit of Capt. David Kirkpatrick, to these facts – he was an Officer of the Virginia Line and received his land as such – the affidavit is positive, that Lieut Armstrong was in active service more than 3 years, and then became a Supernumerary and remained as such until the end of the war.

A certificate of the Register is now furnished, having been omitted by accident when the claim was formerly presented – it shows no land has ever been rec'd. Thos. Green attorney in fact for the Petitioners

I have a regular [one or two undeciphered words] Power of Attorney from the Petitioners to pursue the above.

T Green

[The following is from rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

Be it Remembered that on the day of the date hereof Before me [undeciphered] Notary of of the State of Delaware Legally qualified and authorised and [several undeciphered words] personally appeared Capt David Kirkpatrick to me well known entitled to full faith and credit who solemnly swears that he was a capt Lieut. in the Revolutionary Army of the United States that he well knew Lieutenant Edward Armstrong, that he was in the Spring of 1777 appointed a Lieutenant in the Virginia Line or continental Regiment then commanded by Major commandant Oliver Towles, afterwards promoted to Colonel that the said Lieut Edward Armstrong served until some time in the Summer of 1780 when he was detached as a Supernumerary officer and sent home to return to the army when called, but he continued in service until the close of the war 1783, he was in the Battle of Brandywine & Monmouth and received a severe wound in his thigh in the latter Battle

Given under my hand at Wilmington at Wilmington January 17 1828

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