Virginia documents pertaining to Richard Arnold VAS2292
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[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

The Memorial of the Heir and legal representative of Richard Arnold, a soldier and fifer of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment, during the war of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That the said Richard Arnold enlisted as a soldier and fifer under Capt Joseph Michaux [VAS882], for the term of three years in the County of Charlotte, in the early part of the year, 1777, and was upon reaching the northern Army attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Charles Lewis [VAS901]. The said Richard Arnold as soldier and fifer, continued in the Continental Army the whole period of three years, the term for which he enlisted, and was honorably discharged. All of which will appear by reference to the annexed certificates of persons who knew him before his enlistment, and had frequent opportunity of seeing him whilst in the service.

Your Memorialist farther states, that the name of said Richard Arnold as fifer will be found on the Muster Roll of Capt Michaux, filed with the memorial of the Heirs of Capt Joseph Michaux, now in the Executive Office [B192].

Your Memorialist farther represents, that the said Richard Arnold, in his life time, never made application to the Executive for his Land Bounty. He, therefore, humbly prays that the Executive will allow him as the Heir at Law, a warrant for the quantity of land to which the said Richard Arnold was entitled, for three years services as a soldier and fifer of the State line of Virginia on continental establishment, during the war of the Revolution, pursuant to the laws of Virginia in such case made and provided – and as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c &c Presly G Arnold
[27 March 1837]

Virginia, Charlotte County  to wit

I do hereby certify that Richard Arnold late of Charlotte, enlisted as a soldier and Fifer under Capt Joseph Michaux in the early part of the year, 1777, to serve for the term of three years in the continental army. He was attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Col Charles Lewis according to my best recollection he served his full term of three years, and did not return home until, 1780, when Virginia became the seat of war; and received a regular discharge from service. I am in the 88th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.
William Vaughan [S14754]
[1 Aug 1836]

Virginia, Charlotte County  to wit:

I do hereby certify that Richard Arnold late of Charlotte was well known to me in the Revolutionary Army. He enlisted for the term of Three years under Capt Michaux in the Spring of 1777, and was fifer in the company, and was attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment on continental establishment. According to my best recollection at this time he served three years successively and received a regular Discharge. I am in the 78th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.
William P. Hamlett [S13305]
[5 Sep 1836]
Virginia – Charlotte County  to wit:

I do hereby Certify that Richard Arnold was a soldier and fifer under Captain Michaux attached to the 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment during the Revolutionary war. He enlisted to serve for the period of Three years in February or March, 1777, and as well as I can now recollect, he served faithfully the whole term for which he enlisted. The Regiment was commanded by Col Lewis. I am in the 85th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army.

James Mullings [S10251]
[12 July 1836]