Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Prosser VAS292 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

To his Excellency Littleton Waller Tazewell Governor of Virginia – The Memorial of Joseph Prosser a resident of Lancaster County Virginia respectfully states, that he & Lucy & Maria Prosser & Becky Buchanan all except himself residents of the city of Baltimore Maryland – all the descendents and only heirs at law of the late John Prosser who was a private soldier in the revolutionary war – that said John resided as they have understood in the County of Lancaster when he entered the service, & that he served through the war in the Continental Army – How he entered the service, or when, where or under what circumstances he left, or in what company or Regiment he served your memorialists is unable to say – He understands that his said ancestor did not receive the land bounty to which his services entitled him, & ask the allowance of whatever may be due.

S/ Jos Prosser

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Report on the claim of the heirs of John Prosser, a soldier of the Continental line for bounty land for his services –

To the Governor

Sir.

The claimants have not produced any proof of their claim –

The name of John Prosser has not been found on the Army Register of the Continental line. John Prosser, a Seaman in the state Navy, received (by Joshua Singleton) October 2, 1784, a certification for £48.16.6, the balance of his full pay &c (see Army Register of the State Line.)

I do not find, that a soldier named John Prosser has received bounty land.

Respectfully submitted John H Smith Commissioner &c August 1, 1835