Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Nathaniel Nicken VAS420
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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do Certifie that Nathl Nicken served three years in the State Navy as and Ornry [an Ordinary] Seaman under Celey Saunders Captain on board the ship Temess [*Tempest*]. Given under my hand July 25, 1786

S/ Wm Saunders, Capt. [William Saunders]

Entitled to Depreciation for 3 years Service ending July A.D. if not settled S/T. Meriwether

July 30, 86

I hereby assign all right title Claim or demands that I have against the Commonwealth of Virginia for my service in [sic, as] Seaman in the State Navy to William Biggers and the Auditors of public accounts is here requested to settle the said claims and to grant Certificates with my bounty of land to the said Biggs [sic].

S/ Nathl. Nicken, X his mark

Lancaster Sct.

I hereby certify that Nathl. Nicken Signed and delivered the above order to William Bigges.

Given under my hand this 28th of July 1786

S/ James W. Ball

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