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Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Joseph McAdam, Jr. VAS547

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do hereby Certify that Joseph McAdam Junior was appointed surgeon's mate to the 5th Virginia Regiment April 18th 1776 & continued in the service till his death which was sometime in April 1777. Given under my hand this 26th [2nd digit very unclear could be 21st, 28th, 25th] February 1784

S/Tho. Gaskins, Lt. Colo. [Thomas Gaskins] 3rd Virginia Regiment

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Addendum to Joseph McAdam VAS547

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 4 Sep 2020.

[From rejected claims in the Library of Virginia. The file also contains a mostly illegible memorial by the heirs, John P. McAdam, Irwin E. McAdam, and Harriet E. McAdam.]

Port Royal 29 Dec 1837

Dear Sir I enclose herein the memorials of the heirs of surgeon's mate Jos McAdam, and Capt Thos Catlett [Thomas Catlett VAS2933], who ask for additional land bounty. It is understood that your Excellency has decided that an officer who was killed in battle or died in service, was entitled to land from the time he entered service to the end of the war. Both of the above named officers lost their lives in the service as the evidence on which land was allowed them heretofore will shew. I beg leave to refer to that evidence & have the honor to be your Excellency's/ Most obd servt Robt Hord

Dr. McAdam was a Surgeons mate in the Navy and was not entitled to bountty land for a longer service than six years Rejected DC [Gov. David Campbell]