Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to James Lemasters VAS887

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I do Certify that James Lemasters Enlisted himself as Soldier in the 12th Virginia Regiment the 30th day of December 1776 & served the full [?] term of three years in the Virginia Continental Line.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of February 1784 S/ Joseph Swearingen Captain Virginia Line

Sir

You.ll [You will] pleas to deliver to Colonel William Dark that portion of Land warrant which I am entitled to for three years Service in the Virginia Continental line and you.l oblige &c

Colonel Meriwether Richmond S/ James Lemasters February 3rd, 1784

Received of Thomas Meriwether Certificate for above Warrant for James Lemasters S/Henry Bedinger