Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John, Joseph and Coleman Leonard VAS893 <u>vsl 5VA</u>
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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

State of Virginia Botetourt County: Sct.

Herbert Ledbetter aged seventy years being duly sworn says that Coleman Leonard and Joseph Leonard enlisted for during the war sometime in the spring of 1778 at Dinwiddie Courthouse State of Virginia and served in Washington's [William Washington's] Corps of Horse, this deponent frequently saw them during the time they were in service and knows that the said Coleman Leonard served until the end of the war and was honorably discharged; this deponent distinctly recollects to have frequently seen his discharge during the time he lived after the close of the war which this deponent thinks was about one year.

The deponent further says that the said Joseph Leonard was killed at the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] in South Carolina which this deponent thinks was in 1781 and further this deponent says not.

S/ Herbert Ledbetter

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[Attested in Botetourt County Virginia August 5, 1828]

State of Virginia Botetourt County Sct.

Herbert Ledbetter aged seventy years being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that John Leonard Enlisted in the County of Dinwiddie in the State of Virginia sometime in the Early Part of the year 1778 for during the war & served in the Regiment No. three of the Virginia Continental line commanded at that time by Colonel Abram Buford [Abraham Buford] & that the said Leonard served faithfully in the aforesaid Regiment until the Battle called Buford's Defeat [Battle of the Waxhaws, May 29, 1780] in the Wirau [Waxhaw] District of South Carolina at which time & place the said Leonard was killed & further saith not.

S/ Herbert Ledbetter

[Attested in Botetourt County Virginia August 5th, 1828]

Chamblis Stan [Chambliss Station?] Bedford County Virginia, August 6th 1828

¹ Probably the location now known as Chamblissburg

Sir)

I here with Enclosed the Claim of Lurarny [?] Campbell for the Bounty land promised to John Leonard, Coleman Leonard & Joseph Leonard deceased Soldiers of the Virginia Continental line & am Instructed by her to request an answer directed to Chamblis Stan so soon as the claim is acted upon & direct your answer to me.

S/ Anthony Evans, Junior Agent for Lurany Campbell

State of Virginia Bedford County Sct.

Lurany Campbell being duly sworn according to law doth say that she has never had any bounty land from the State of Virginia nor the United States on account of Services rendered by John Leonard, Coleman Leonard & Joseph Leonard in the Virginia Continental line during the revolutionary war – Nor has any other person or persons Claiming as Heirs to the said John, Coleman & Joseph Leonard to her knowledge & belief nor did they ever sell or transfer their respective Claims or transfer them in any manner whatever further she saith not –

S/ Lurany Campbell, X her mark