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Bounty Land record of John Hays BLWt1068-400 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Va. Hays, John B.L.Wt.1068-400—Major

Issued Aug. 24, 1789

No papers

[Note: the file contains the standard response letter indicating that the documents relating to this land warrant were destroyed by the fire of 1814. More likely, however, they were destroyed by the fire of 1800.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

On the 27th of March 1783 Major John Hays obtained a land Warrant for 5333 1/3 acres, the Certificate expresses "for services from 6 March 1776 to the 14 February 1781." – He has since obtained a Warrant for his 7th years services.

S/ Wm Price, Register [Virginia Land Office] January 21 1808