## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Bounty Land Claim of Jesse Armstrong BLWt2000-100 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 30 Dec 2016.

State of Virginia, County of } King George, Sct

I George Armstrong, son & legal representative of Jesse Armstrong, late a Soldier of the army of the Revolution, do, on my oath, declare, that Jesse Armstrong did enter the army of the United States under an enlistment, some time in the year 1776 to serve five years. That after serving the said five years, he again enlisted to serve to the end of the war. Affiant has no recollection of the Regiment, or company, in which the said Jesse served, nor of the officer under whom he enlisted – and he further declares that the said Jesse Armstrong never received a warrant for the Land Bounty promised to him by the United States, or the State of Virginia; nor has any other person, either by transfer, or in any other manner, received the said Bounty. [Power of Attorney follows.] [signed 28 Dec 1833] George Armstrong

State of Virginia, King George County, Sct [15 Sep 1833]

Personally came before me, John Taliaferro, a Justice of the Peace, in & for the County aforesaid, George Strother [pension application S18611] aged seventy four years & John Marders [S18500] about the same age, who being both duly sworn according to Law, state that they each knew well Jesse Armstrong who some time early in the war of the revolution, they think some time in the year 1776, enlisted in the regular army of the United States as a Soldier to serve to the end of the war, and that he the said Jesse Armstrong did served to the end of the war & then returned home

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[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

THESE are to CERTIFY that the bearer hereof Jesse Armstrong in the first[?] Virginia[?] regiment, having fatihfully[sic] served the United States from the 25th March 1779 to this date and being inlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American army.

Given at the war office the [undeciphered] day July 1783

By order of the secretary at war, [signed] B. Lincoln [Gen. Benjamin Lincoln]

[undeciphered signature]

Registered in the books of the regiment,

William Eskridge [W4192] adjutant

War office, [blank space] 1783.

THE within CERTIFICATE shall not avail the bearer as a discharge, until the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace; previous to which time, and until proclamation thereof shall be made, he is to be considered as being on furlough. B. LINCOLN.

Certify'd that Jessy Armstrong a soldier for the War of the first Reg't of Artillery has recv'd but [undeciphered word] months Pay since his Enlistment 1 truo,

J Drew [John Drew BLWt981-100]

Lt. 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't Artl'y

## Department of War/ Bounty Land Office/ Jan'y 21st 1834

I certify that, the name of Jesse Armstrong, is returned on the records of the Virginia line on file in this office, as a Matross of Artillery in said line, and as being entitled to bounty Land from the U. States. I further certify that, Land Warrant No 2000, for 100 Acres, issued on the 20<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1834 to George Armstrong, son, and only legal representative of the aforesaid Jesse Armstrong

[signed] Wm Gordon First Clk

## King George County Sct

I George Armstrong, son & Legal Representative of Jesse Armstrong, late a Soldier in the Army of the U. S. in the war of the Revolution, & who served as such from some time in the year 1776, to the end of the said war declare that the said George Armstrong has no recollection of the Reg't or Corps in which the said Jesse served, nor of the officer under whom he enlisted. And he further declares, to the best of his knowledge, that the said Jesse Armstrong never received the Land Bounty promised by the State of Virginia for his services aforesaid nor has any other person, either by transfer, or in any other manner received the same. Therefore, I George Armstrong, son & legal Representative of Jesse Armstrong aforesaid, do hereby constitute and appoint [blank space; power of attorney follows]

Witness my hand & seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 1834 [signed] George Armstrong

## City of Richmond 20 of January 1835.

The undersigned, as Attorney for George Armstrong, Son & Heir of Jesse Armstrong, late a Soldier in the Army of the Revolution, begs leave, respectfully to represent to his Excellency the Governor of Virg'a That on an application recently made at the Land Bounty office of the U. States in Washington, in behalf of the aforesaid Geo. Armstrong, for the Land Bounty due by the U. States to Jesse Armstrong – It appeared by the Army records lodged in the office aforesaid, that Jesse Armstrong was a Soldier in the Virg'a Continental Line, and returned as in service at the end of the war. In pursuance of which, a Land Bounty Warrant for 100 acres was issued to the said George Armstrong by the Agent of the U. States – All which will appear by the Certificate of the said Agent, Wm Gordon, on file with the application of George Armstrong addressed to the Executive of Virg'a for State Bounty. In this case the Register of the Virg'a Land Office considers the Bounty allowed by the Executive to be 100 acres of Land for three years service only. The claim is for service to the end of the war. And as the service claimed has been established by the Certificate of the Land Bounty Agent of the U States, it is respectfully submitted whether 200 acres of Land, the Bounty promised by Virg'a for service to the end of the war, ought not to be allowed in this case. A review of the case is most respectfully asked by Jno Hooe/ Atty for Geo. Armstrong

NOTE: A letter from George Armstrong dated 8 Sep 1838 bears return address Port Royal.