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Pension Application of James Adams R31.5

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of "An Act for the relief of certain surviving officers & soldiers of the Revolution approved on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1828 – I James Adams of the County & State aforesaid do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for & during the War and continued in its service till its termination at which period I was a private in Captain Mortons company in the Regiment commanded by Colo. Cox, in Maj. William's brigade of the line in the State of Virginia. And I also declare that I do not now recollect of receiving a certificate for the reward of Eighty dollars to which I was entiled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1778. And I further declare that I never was on the pension list of the United States. [5 Feb 1829] James hisXmark Adams

War Depart: Bounty land office 29 April 1829.

The records of this office show that warrant No. 11,860 issued on the 7<sup>th</sup> Jany 1793 to Robert Means as assignee of James Adams private of the Virg'a. line, for his bounty land. Robert Taylor

[The following was apparently in response to a request for further details of service:]

Adams' 1<sup>st</sup> Capt was Capt. Thompson (perhaps William not certain as to christian name) – he was killed at Gilford [Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] – Capt. William Morton was his next Capt who continued to command till after the taking of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781], shortly after which he was discharged. he was under major Williams & Col. Cox till the time he was discharged in the Army under Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] he was discharged at the old fields near York Town by Gen'l Green [sic: see endnote] – he never rec'd. any bounty land from the United States – he entered the service about 18 months or two years before the Siege of York which was in Oct 1781 –

NOTE:

Gen. Greene was in the Carolinas from late 1780 until the end of the hostilities.

On 15 Sep 1829 Samuel Finley (pension application R3556) deposed that he did not know Adams in the service, but believed his claim. On 23 July 1830 Nathan Nabors (S35534) certified similarly.