

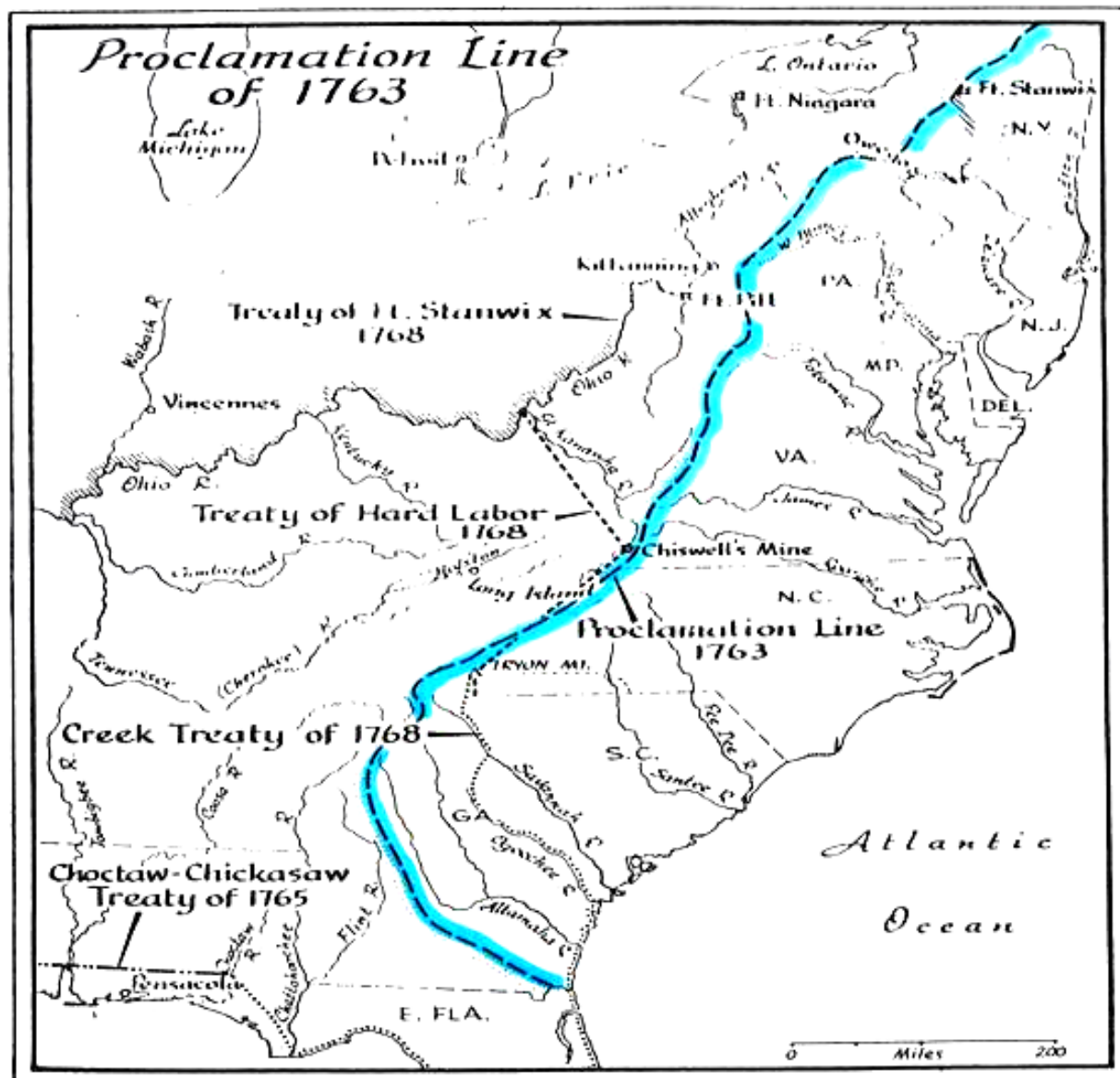
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Kentucky Secretary of State

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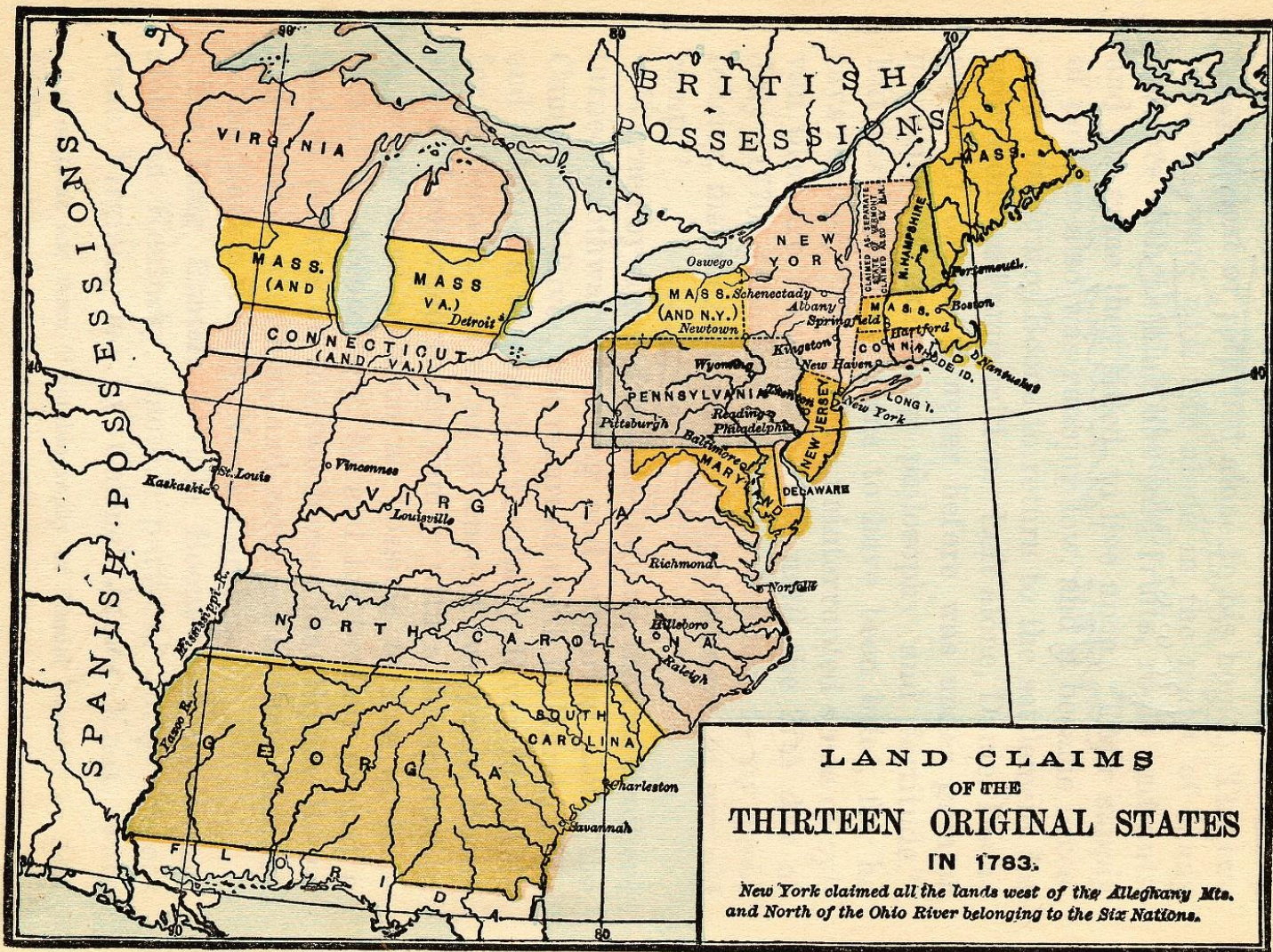


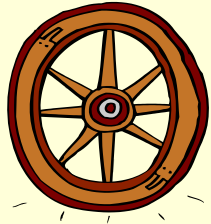


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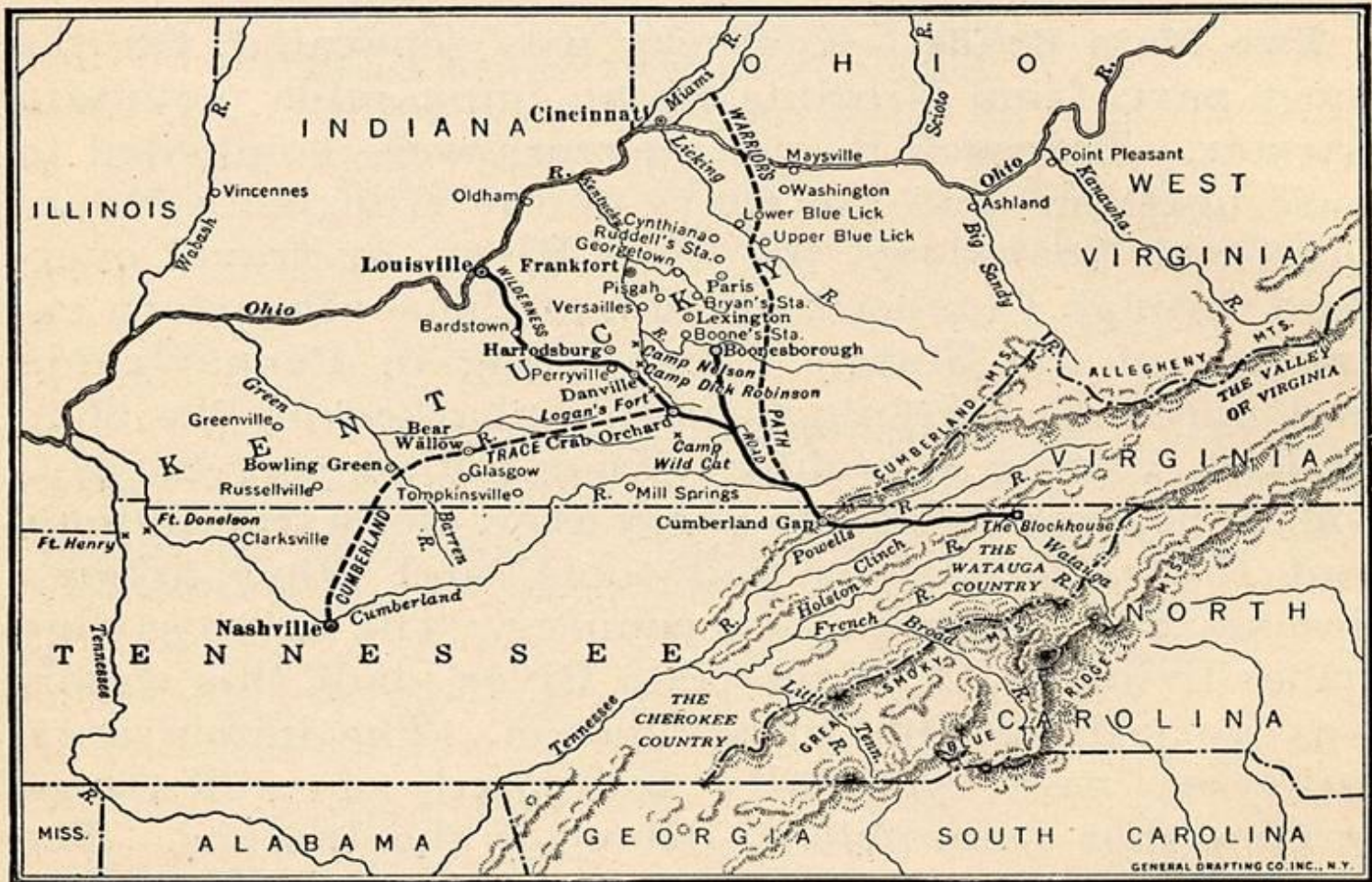


- See complete text of the Proclamation of 1763 under “Legislation” on the Secretary of State’s Land Office “Online Resources” channel at <http://www.sos.ky.gov/admin/land/resources/Pages/default.aspx>





PIONEER ROADS



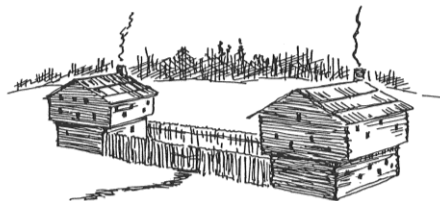
MAP OF PIONEER ROADS



Photos of Fort Harrod, cabin at Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill, and scene from "The Legend of Daniel Boone" (outdoor drama) courtesy of the Harrodsburg/Mercer County Tourist Commission & Fort Harrod State Park. Sketches of stations: "The History of Harrodsburg & the Great Settlement Area of Kentucky," George M. Chinn, used with permission.



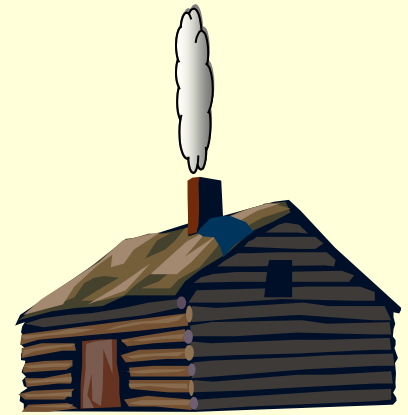
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TYPICAL 2 FAMILY STATION



LAND CLAIMS PRIOR TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VIRGINIA LAND OFFICE



As “various & vague claims to unpatented land under the former and present government may produce tedious and infinite litigation and disputes, and in the mean time purchasers would be discouraged from taking up lands upon terms lately prescribed by law, whereby the fund to be raised in aid of the taxes for discharging the public debt, would be in great measure frustrated”, the Virginia General Assembly approved legislation in May 1779 that addressed early land claims prior to the establishment of the land patenting process.

See complete text of Land Law 1779 (A) under “Legislation” on the Secretary of State’s Land Office “Online Resources” channel at <http://www.sos.ky.gov/admin/land/resources/Pages/default.aspx>.

EARLY KENTUCKY LAND CLAIMS

Key Provisions of Land Law 1779 (A):

- **All surveys upon any of the western waters prior to January 1, 1778, based on Entries filed with the county surveyor prior to October 26, 1763, would be honored. There was a 400 acre limit. Authorizing Warrants had to be: (1) issued under the King's Proclamation; (2) issued by any former Governor of Virginia; or (3) purchased as Treasury Rights. (*Section I*)**
- **Future Proclamation claims were limited to Virginia veterans or Warrants issued by Virginia Governors. This law excluded land claims for service in companies or militia detachments. (*Section III*)**

"A Calendar of the Warrants for Land in Kentucky, Granted for Service in the French & Indian War,"

Abstracted by Philip Fall Taylor

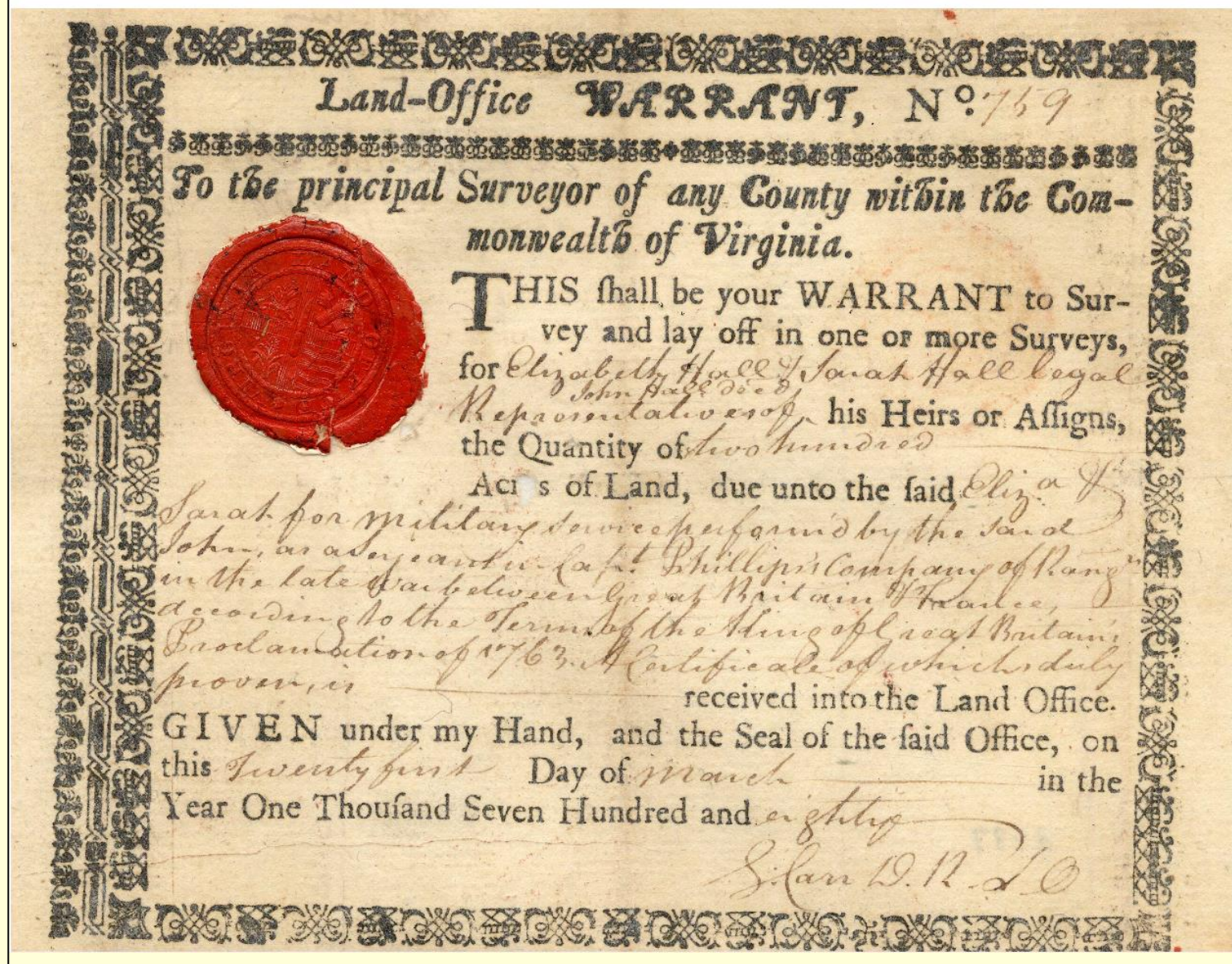
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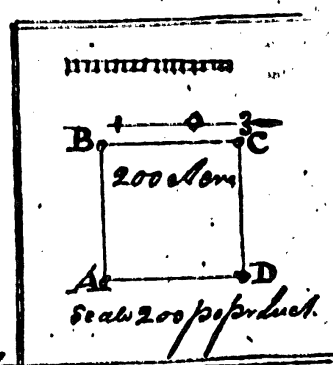
No. Warrant,	NAME	RANK	ACRES SURVEYED	
63,	Benjamin Powell,	Serjeant Byrd's,	200, Nov. 25, 1783,	By Jo. Helm, Jefferson Co., on Clover Creek, Meriweather's line; Hite's Run. Ass'd to James Madison.
231,	Samuel Young,	Sergeant,	200, Nov. 24, 1783,	By Jo. Helm, Jefferson Co., on Clover Creek, formerly called Hargises Fork; adj. Powell's survey. Ass'd to James Madison.
873,	Barney Ryley,	Soldier,	50,	[No Survey found.]

Bundles 96-97.

41,	James Hendrick,	Captain [3000],	500, Nov. 25, 1783,	By I. Hite, Jefferson Co., on waters of Town Fork of Salt R.; joins Charles Simms. To Rev. David Griffith, Ass'nee.
→ 759,	John Hall, dec'd,	Sergt. Phillip's Co.,	200, Nov. 23, 1783,	By Daniel Boone, Fayette Co., on a small br. of Licking; adj. Daniel Boone's Settlement.
390,	Henry Cissel, dec'd, [To Wm. Cissel, heir-at-law.]	Soldier,	50, Sept. 7, 1783,	By Arch'd Campbell, Fayette Co., near head waters of Huston's Fork of Licking and Elk Horn. All Ass'd to John Hord.
391,	James Cissel, dec'd, [To Wm. Cissel, heir-at-law.]	Soldier,	50,	
392,	William Cissel,	Soldier,	50,	
393,	William Mitchell,	Soldier,	50,	
672,	Joseph Ray,	Capt. Stanwix's Com'd,	500, Nov. 22, 1783,	By James Kincaid, Lincoln Co., on Sugar Creek; Dewitt's survey. Ass'd to William Hamilton.
409,	William Hughes,	Serjeant,	200, Nov. 24, 1783,	By Daniel Boone, Fayette Co.
355,	Francis Scott,	Soldier,	.50, Mar. 13, 1784,	By Joshua Bennett, Fayette Co., including the two Salt Springs at the Lower Blue Licks, on Licking Creek; to James Parberry, ass'nee of William Floyd, ass'nee of John Floyd, ass'nee of Philip Love, ass'nee of Turner H. Hudson, ass'nee of Francis Scott.



Matthew Busby marker



Ely Sarah

Hall
200 Acre

Fayette
County

Nov 19 1780
84

Grant 1st
June 1785

3987x

Surveyed for Elizabeth and Sarah Hall

representatives of Two hundred Acre of land

On a Military Warrant duly Entered April 29th

1780 No 750 situate lying and being in the County of Fayette
as a small Branch of Licking adjoining Daniel Boones Settlement
and presumption on the west end Beginning at (A) Corner Red Oak &

hence in Col Daniel Boones line Thence due west One hundred and
eighty poles to (B) Corner double poplar and hickory thence due North

One hundred and eighty poles to (C) Corner hickory and sugar tree

Thence due East One hundred and eighty poles to (D) Corner Walnut
and hickory In Col Boones line Thence south to the Beginning
180 poles

Testimony the 22nd 1783

Joseph Scott and
William Hall

Daniel Boone D.
Charles Jancy Ex. J. Marshall S. C.
J. McKee

In Word

Fayette County 1st Surveyed for John Hord

superseded by the appointment of Mr. Byrd in April. Under command of Genl. Braddock he acted as Capt. Commandant and eldest officer at that time in Virginia service upon the said Braddock's expedition. When Col. Washington resumed the command of the Va. Regt. he was appointed Lieut. Col. thereof and served in that capacity under said Washington and afterwards under Col. Byrd until the regiment was reduced in spring of 1762. That he commanded the Va. Regt. raised in the year 1762. Frederick Co., Mar. 8, 1780.

Gabriel Throckmorton, appointed in 1758 Lieut. in a regiment commanded by Col. Byrd and served in that capacity until the same was disbanded. In 1759 he was appointed a Capt. in a Battl. raised for the defense of the frontiers, commanded by Col. Wm. Peachey, and served therein till same was disbanded in 1760. Frederick Co., Mar. 8, 1780.

Saml. Sparks, soldier in 1754 in the Battle of the Meadows and afterwards enlisted in the old Va. Regt. commanded by Col. Washington, and continued therein till same was disbanded. Frederick Co., Mar. 9, 1780.

Jno. Creagh, entitled to 200 acres of land as a Sergt. in late war under Proc. of 1763. Williamsburg, May 14, 1774. Dunmore.

Jno. Poasdel, Sergt. in 1st Va. Regt. until same was disbanded. Stafford Co., Feb., 1780.

Richd. Griffin and John Osbourn, both soldiers in Capt. Robt. Mumford's Co.; James Owen, Thos. Chamberlyne and Stephen Mallett, in Capt. Gunn's Co.; and Saml. Bentley in Capt. Saml. Meredith's Co., belonging to Col. Wm. Byrd's regiment, and that they all served to close of the war. Mecklenburg Co., Feb. 14, 1780.

Jno. Farrar, Sergt. in Capt. James Walker's Co., in the last war in Col. Byrd's Regt. and served until legally discharged. Mecklenburg Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Thos. Matthews, soldier in Capt. James Gunn's Co.; Wm. Watts, soldier in Capt. Jno. Smith's Co.; all belonging to the Regt. commanded by Col. Wm. Byrd; Wm. Avery served as soldier in Capt. Jno. McNeil's Co., 1st Va. Regt. They were all soldiers in last war between Gt. Britain and France, and served to close of the war. Mecklenburg Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Dabney Carr, decd., soldier in Capt. Wm. Phillip's Co. Vol. Rangers in 1763 till legally discharged. Louisa Co., Feb. 14, 1780.

Michael Reasoner, entitled to 50 acres of land agreeable to Proc. of the King in 1763. Williamsburg, Feb. 14, 1774. Dunmore.

Thos. Lewis entitled to 200 acres of land under Proc. of 1763. May 22, 1774. Dunmore.

John Bridge entitled to 50 acres of land agreeable to Proc. of 1763. May 22, 1774. Dunmore.

Jno. Hall, Sergt. in Capt. Wm. Phillip's Co. of Rangers in 1763 till legally discharged. Sd. Jno. Hall is since dead and Wm. Lipscomb is Guard. to Eliz. and Sarah Hall, co-heirs said John Hall. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Richard Phillips, soldier in Capt. Joseph Fox's Co. of Rangers in 1755, until legally discharged. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Jno. Freeman, soldier in Capt. Wm. Phillip's Co. of Rangers in 1763 till legally discharged. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

John Wheeler, soldier in 1758 till his death. Moses Wheeler heir-at-law to sd. John. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Thos. Bibb, 1st Lieut. in Capt. Jos. Fox's Co. of Vol. Rangers in 1755 till legally discharged. Said Bibb is dead and Richard Phillips is his executor. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Wm. Wheeler, soldier in 1758 till his death and Moses Wheeler is his heir-at-law. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

By the oath of Capt. Joseph Fox it appears that Capt. William Phillips enlisted and served in his Co. of Rangers in the year 1755 till legally discharged. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Joseph Hopkins, Jr., Sergt. in Capt. James Gunn's Co. of Regulars in 1759 till legally discharged. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

Chas. Hester, soldier in Capt. Wm. Phillip's Co. of Vol. Rangers in 1763 till legally discharged. Louisa Co., Feb. 14, 1780.

Capt. Wm. Hughes enlisted and served part of his time as a Sergt. in Capt. Wm. Phillip's Co. of Vol. Rangers in 1763; one of Capt. Phillip's Lieuts. being killed, the said Hughes did duty as Ensign till legally discharged, receiving pay of an Ensign. Louisa Co., Mar. 13, 1780.

John Hill entitled to 200 acres of land as Sergt. in the late war agreeable to the King's Proc. of 1763. Williamsburg, May 17, 1774. Dunmore.

John Clark served as Sergt. in 1st Va. Regt. and is entitled to 200 acres of land agreeable to the King's Proc. of 1763. Williamsburg, May 22, 1774. Dunmore.

John Dickinson Littlepage, entitled to 2,000 acres of land "for his servis as ensign in ye Va. servis," agreeable to King's Proc. of 1763. Jan. 31, 1774. Dunmore.

Daniel Tilman, Sergt. in Capt. Flemming's Co. under command of Wm. Peachey, Col. of the Frontier Battl. in 1758; until legally discharged. Fluvanna Co., Apr. 6, 1780.

George Ehrmantrout, soldier in Capt. Hogg's Co. of Rangers and continued in the service until discharged in 1758. Rockingham Co., Apr. 24, 1780.

Danl. Grubb, soldier in Capt. Hogg's Co. of Rangers, and continued in the service until the said company was discharged in 1758. Rockingham Co., Apr. 24, 1780.

Abraham Moone, soldier in Capt. Bullett's Co. of Regulars in last war, till legally discharged. Botetourt Co., March, 1780.

John Hooker, soldier in old Va. Regt. commanded by Col. Geo. Washington (enlisted when same was raised), also appointed non-commissioned officer in said company in which capacity he served until it was disbanded. Frederick Co., Apr. 4, 1780.

Stephen Blankenship, soldier in 1st Va. Regt. of Regulars, raised during the late war between Gt. Britain and France and continued in said Regt.

- **Bona fide settlers ‘upon the western waters’ prior to January 1, 1778, were entitled to 400 acres of land including their settlement. Proof of planting a crop of corn or a residency of at least one year was required. (*Sections IV & V*)**
- **Settlers could purchase a preemption warrant to patent an additional 1000 acres adjoining their settlement claim. (*Section V*)**
- **Persons who settled ‘upon the western waters’ after January 1, 1778, were entitled to a 400 acre Preemption Warrant claim which included their settlement. (*Section V*)**
- **Persons who had “marked out” claims and built any house or hut or made any other improvements prior to January 1, 1778, were entitled to one 1000 acre preemption warrant if the Land Commission approved their claim. (*Section V*) Note: This covered “chop claims” as well as lottery cabins.**
- **All locations (Entries) made by officers & soldiers upon lands of actual settlers were declared void. (*Section V*)**

- VIII. **And whereas** the claims of various persons to the lands herein allowed to the inhabitants, in consideration of their settlements, and of those who, by this act, are entitled to preemption at the state price, as well as of the settlers on the lands surveyed for sundry companies by orders of council as aforesaid, may occasion numerous disputes, the determination of which depending upon evidence, which cannot, without great charge and trouble, be collected, but the neighborhood of such lands will be most speedily and properly made by commissioners in the respective counties; *be it enacted, that the counties on the western waters shall be allotted into districts, to wit: the counties of Monongalia; Yohogania, and Ohio, into one district; the counties of Augusta, Botetourt, and Greenbrier, into one district; the counties of Washington and Montgomery, into one other district; and the county of Kentucky, shall be another district;* for each of which district, the governor, with the advice of the council, shall appoint four commissioners under the seal of the commonwealth, not being inhabitants of such district (any three of whom may act) to continue in office eight months from the end of this present session of assembly, for the purpose of collecting, adjusting, and determining such claims, and four months thereafter for the purpose of adjusting the claims of settlers on lands surveyed for the aforesaid companies. (*Reference: "Virginia Land Law A", 1779*)
- The Land Commissioners for the Kentucky District heard claims for Certificates of Settlement & Preemption Warrants from October 14, 1779 thru January 26, 1780. Their circuit included St. Asaph (or Logan's Fort), Harrodsburg, Falls of the Ohio (Louisville), Boonesborough, & Bryant's Station near Lexington.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR WARRANTS ISSUED TO VIRGINIA VETERANS, HEIRS, AND ASSIGNEES & THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VIRGINIA MILITARY DISTRICT IN KENTUCKY

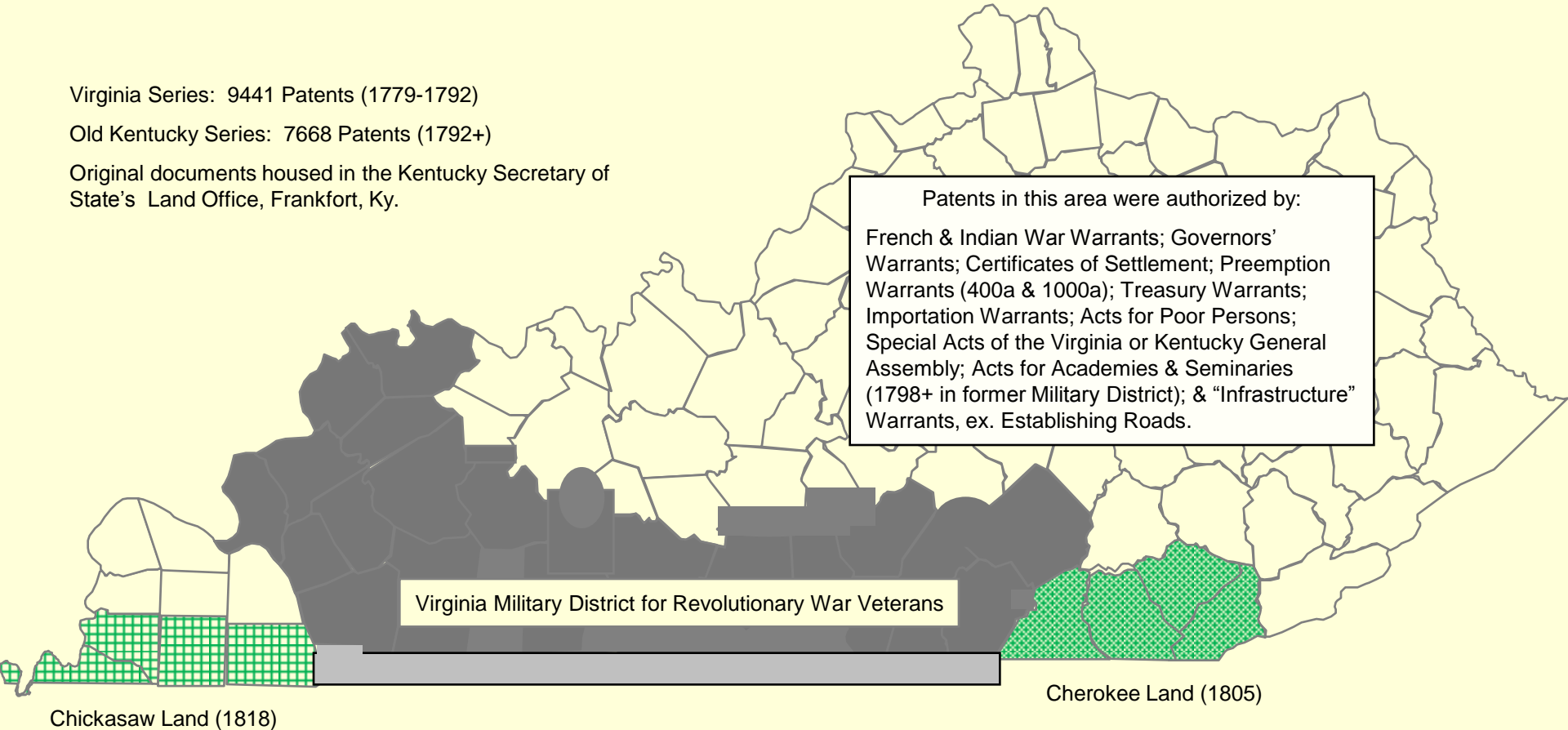
III.....No entry or location of land shall be admitted within the county and limits of the Cherokee Indians, or on the north west side of the Ohio River, or on the lands reserved by act of the assembly for any particular nation or tribe of Indians, or on the lands granted by law to Richard Henderson and company, or in that tract of country reserved by resolution of the general assembly for the benefit of the troops serving in the present war, and bounded by the Green River and a south east course from the head thereof to the Cumberland Mountains; with the said mountains to the Carolina line, with the Carolina line to the Cherokee or Tennessee River; with the said river to the Ohio River, and with the Ohio to the said Green River, until the farther order of the general assembly. (*Virginia Land Law B, 1779*)

KENTUCKY LAND PATENTS: Virginia & Old Kentucky Series

Virginia Series: 9441 Patents (1779-1792)

Old Kentucky Series: 7668 Patents (1792+)

Original documents housed in the Kentucky Secretary of State's Land Office, Frankfort, Ky.



Location of Military District: "Southeast course from the head of Green River to the Cumberland mountains; with the said mountains to the Carolina line; with the line to the Cherokee or Tennessee River; with the said River to the said Green river; until the farther order." Ref: Virginia Land Law of 1779.

Notes: (1) Some Military Patents extend to the 36° 30' parallel into Tennessee due to the "former Kentucky boundary." (2) Although the eastern boundary of the Military District set the line as the Cumberland Mountains, the Land Law further stated no land could be entered or located within the county & limits of the Cherokee Indians. Portions of the shaded counties in eastern Kentucky were ceded in 1805 under the Tellico Treaty. (3) Soldiers who had settled in the southern counties of the Jackson Purchase had to wait until 1818 to patent their land. Their patents comprise the "West of Tennessee River Military Series."

Legislation passed by the Virginia General Assembly & research by Lloyd D. Bockstruck indicates Virginia paid the following bounties for service in the Revolutionary War:

- Sailor who served his 3 yr enlistment or to the end of the war -- 100 acres
- Soldier who served his 3 yr enlistment or to the end of the war -- 100 acres
- Noncommissioned officer who enlisted & served his 3 yr enlistment -- 200 acres
- Sailor who served throughout the war -- 400 acres
- Soldier who served throughout the war -- 400 acres
- Noncommissioned officer who served throughout the war -- 400 acres
- Subaltern-Cornet -- 2000 to 2666 acres
- Subaltern-Ensign -- 2000 to 2666 acres
- Subaltern-Lieutenant -- 2000 to 2666 acres
- Surgeon's Mate -- 2666 to 8000 acres
- Surgeon -- 2666 to 8000 acres
- Chaplain -- 2666 to 8000 acres
- Captain -- 3000 to 4666 acres
- Major -- 4000 to 5333 acres
- Lt. Colonel -- 4500 to 6666 acres
- Colonel -- 5000 to 8888 acres
- Brigadier General -- 10,000 acres +
- Major General -- 15,000 to 17,500 acres



Virginia Revolutionary War Warrants: Per Rank

Note: Several soldiers received multiple warrants due to additional bounty land awards or replacement of lost warrants. This listing, compiled from the Kentucky Land Office Revolutionary War Warrants Database, reflects rank identification rather than unique individual service. Warrants issued by Virginia after October 29, 1793, are not included.

Adjutant	1
Artificer	2
Boatswain	6
Bombadier	1
Brigade Chaplain	2
Brigadier General	14
Captain	346
Captain Lieutenant	27
Carpenter	3
Chaplain	1
Colonel	41
Commodore	2
Cornet	9
Corporal	176
Director	1
Doctor	1
Drum Major	11
Drummer	31
Ensign	23

Fife Major	5
Fifer	14
First Lieutenant	1
General	1
Gunner	11
Gunner's Mate	3
Lieutenant	340
Lieutenant Colonel	52
Lieutenant Colonel Commandant	5
Major	64
Major General	11
Master	3
Master & Pilot	1
Master at Arms	1
Master's Mate	2
Matross	2
Midshipman	24
Musician	3
Non-Commissioned Officer	1

Pilot	2
Private	59
Quarter Master	3
Quarter Master Sergeant	1
Regimental Surgeon	10
Sailing Master	5
Sailor	92
Seaman	25
Sergeant	521
Sergeant Major	13
Soldier	2677
Steward	2
Subaltern	23
Surgeon	34
Surgeon's Mate	14
Trumpeter	1
Rank not identified	21
Total: 4745	

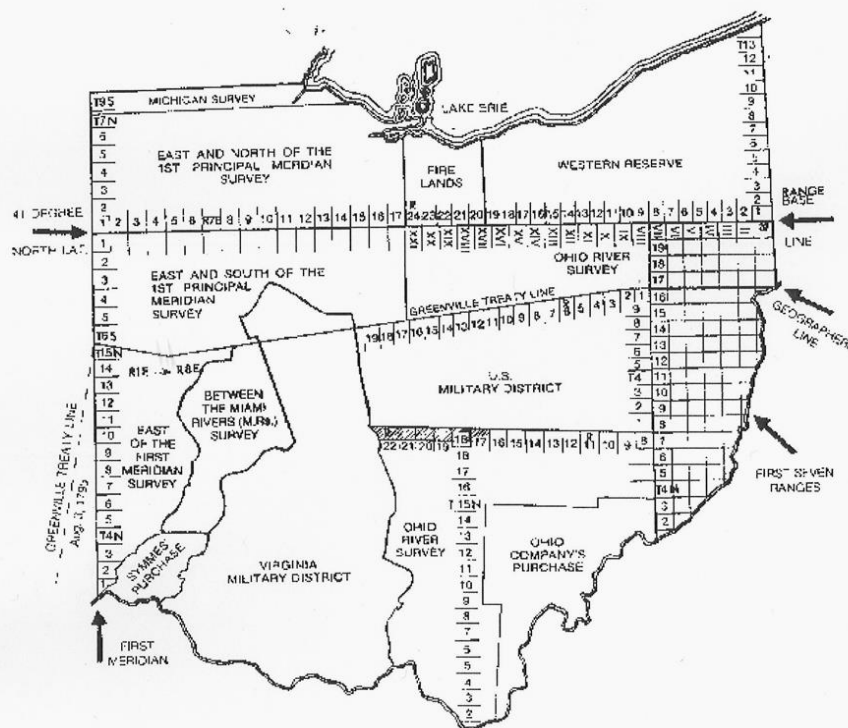
Resolution passed by the Virginia General Assembly, 2 January 1781:

“That in case the quantity of good lands of the southeast side of the Ohio upon the waters of Cumberland river, and between the Green River and the Tennessee River, which have been reserved by law for the Virginia troops upon continental establishment, and upon their own state establishment, should (from the North Carolina line bearing in further upon the Cumberland lands than was expected) prove insufficient for their legal bounties, the deficiency shall be made up to the said troops in good lands, to be laid off between the rivers *Scioto* and *Little Miamis* on the northwest side of the river Ohio, in such proportions as have been engaged to them by the laws of Virginia.”



- The district lands are found in 23 counties from the Ohio River northward, between the Scioto and Little Miami Rivers, as far as 141 miles inland.
- Warrants used in the Kentucky Military District end with #4627. If research indicates a veteran received a higher number, it was most surely used in Ohio. We have also found earlier numbers might have been used in both states. If the "Authorized" field in our Revolutionary War Warrants Database is blank, we suggest you contact the Ohio Historical Society, 1982 Velma Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211 to research warrant usage.
- By Acts of Congress dated May 30, 1830, and August 31, 1852, Virginia military warrants could be exchanged for land scrip. Land scrip could be used to acquire any public lands open for entry at private sale, according to research on the Western Reserve. For further information, visit this website: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Ohio_Land_and_Property and the Bureau of Land Management Website at <https://glorerecords.blm.gov/default.aspx>.

OHIO'S MAJOR LAND SURVEYS



FEDERAL LAND OFFICES IN OHIO YEARS OF OPERATION AND SUCCESSOR OFFICES

Canton 1808-1816; Wooster 1816-1849

Chillicothe 1801-1876

Cincinnati 1801-1840

Delaware 1820-1828; Tiffin 1828-1832; Bucyrus 1832-1842

Piqua 1820-1833; Wapakonata 1833-1835; Lima 1835-1843;

Upper Sandusky 1843-1848; Defiance 1848-1855

Marietta 1800-1840

Marion 1837-1845

Steubenville 1800-1840

Zanesville 1804-1840

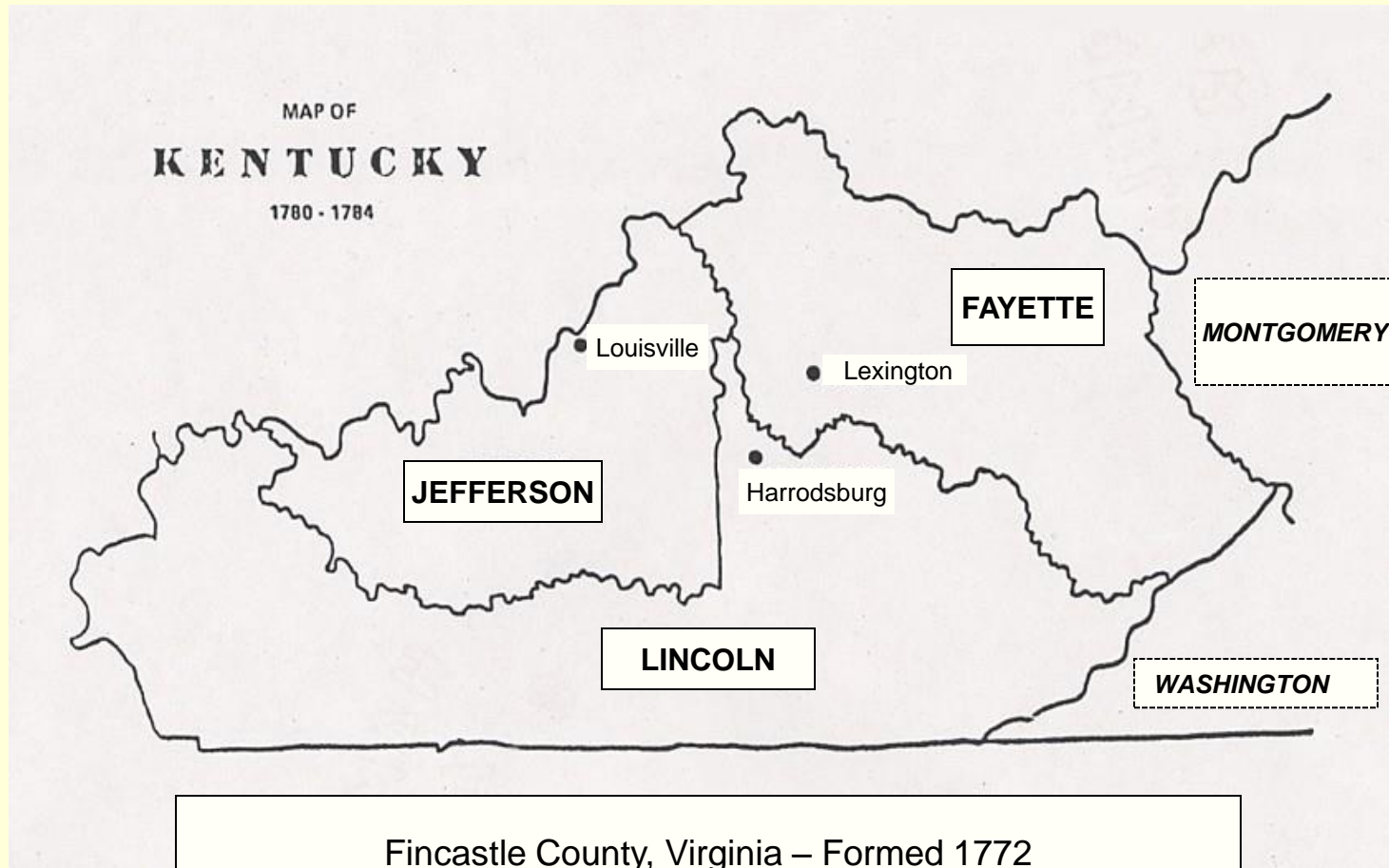
ESTABLISHMENT OF TREASURY & TREASURY EXCHANGE WARRANTS

Chapter XIII, Approved May 1779 by the Virginia General Assembly

See complete text of Land Law 1779 (B) under “Legislation” on the Secretary of State’s Land Office
“Online Resources” channel at <http://www.sos.ky.gov/admin/land/resources/Pages/default.aspx>.

II.....And for creating a sinking fund in aid of the annual taxes to discharge the public debt: *be it enacted*, that any person may acquire title to so much waste and unappropriated land as he or she shall desire to purchase, on paying the consideration of forty pounds for every hundred acres, and so in proportion for a greater or smaller quantity, and obtaining certificate from the public auditors in the following manner: the consideration money shall be paid into the hands of the treasurer, who shall thereupon give to the purchaser a receipt for the payment, specifying the purpose it was made for, which being delivered to the auditors, they shall give to such person a certificate thereof, with the quantity of land he or she is thereby entitled to.

Kentucky's Original Three Counties



Fincastle County, Virginia – Formed 1772
Kentucky County, Virginia – Formed 1776
Kentucky County, Virginia - Divided June 30, 1780

Patenting Process: Step 1

WARRANTS

*syn. CERTIFICATES, COMMISSIONERS' CERTIFICATES, or
SPECIAL ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY*

FUNCTION: Authorize Entries

Samples: Military, Certificate of Settlement, Preemption Warrant, Treasury, Finding Salt, Clearing a Road, Poor Widows Warrant, Purchased from Kentucky Land Office, or Purchased from County Court. Legislation for Relief of Poor Persons, Certain Persons, or Establishing Academies/Seminaries

- WARRANTS MAY BE ASSIGNED.**
- WARRANTS MAY BE USED IN WHOLE OR IN PART.**
- WARRANTS DO NOT CONVEY TITLE.**

Patenting Process: Step 2

ENTRIES

FUNCTION: Reserve Land for Surveying

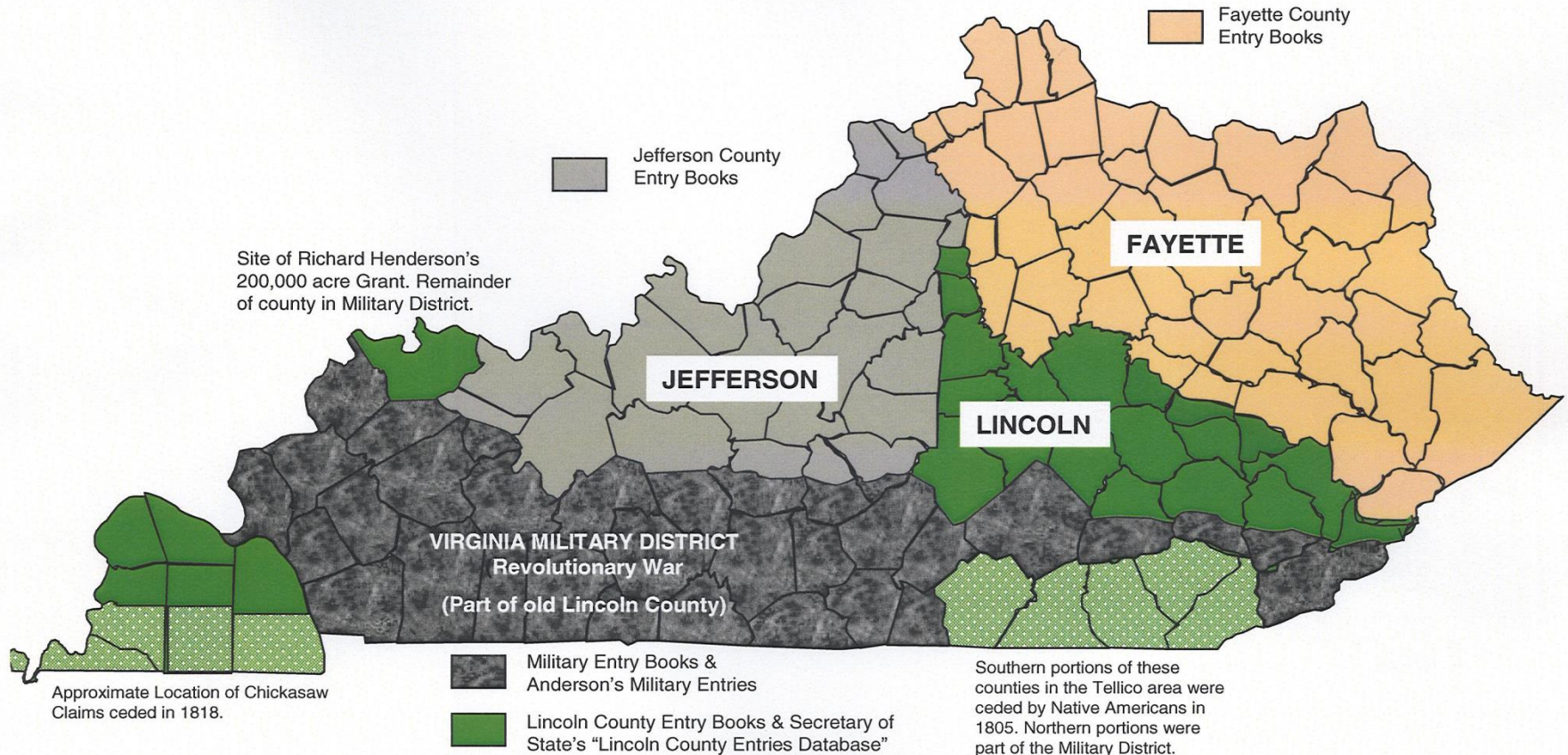
Early Kentucky, Fayette, Lincoln & Jefferson County Entries are available from the Kentucky Land Office. Subsequent Entry Books are kept on the county level.

Entries include the date of filing, name of applicant, type of warrant(s) being used, warrant number(s) & the location of the land to be surveyed.

- **Entries may be withdrawn or amended.**
 - **Check marginal notations.**
 - **Entries do not convey title.**

APPROXIMATE LOCATIONS OF KENTUCKY'S ORIGINAL COUNTIES: 1780 and

Resources for Researching Early Kentucky Surveyors' Entry Books



- Filing an Entry with the County Surveyor was the second step in the land patenting process. The Entry description reserved land for the Field Survey. Entries could be surveyed, amended, or withdrawn.
- Due to formation & boundary lines, some counties originated from a combination of the original 3 counties. Access county formation dates for further information.
- Entries for Jefferson, Lincoln, Fayette, & the Military District (excluding Anderson's Entries) are listed in "Old Kentucky Entries & Deeds" by Willard R. Jillson.
- Many Kentucky County, Virginia, Entries are included in the front pages of the Jefferson County Entry Books. To research Fincastle County Entries & Surveys and Kentucky County Entries & Surveys, access "Early Kentucky Land Records" by Neal O. Hammon.

17 Robert Breckenridge and John Gibson as Tenants in
Common, Enter 100 acres of land upon the balance of a
Grant to James Harlan N 101W about sixty or seventy miles
North Eastwardly from Martinsburg in Powell's Valley
to Include a silver mine which was discovered about 17 years
ago by a certain man named Swift at said mine the

(300)

Henry
1785

Herold Swift reports he has extracted from the ore a
17 considerable quantity of Silver. Some of which he made
into Dollars and left at or near the mine, together with
the apparatus for making the same. He has to be in a
square one the lines to run at the cardinal points of
the compass including the mine in the centre as near as
may be

Witnessed at Alexander Dick

Ref: "(Old) Lincoln County Entries," Bk 2, pg 299, filed May 17, 1788.

Patenting Process: Step 3

SURVEYS

FUNCTION: Depict & Describe the Tract being Patented

Surveys include: Plat Drawing, List of Warrant(s) being used, Name of Person(s) for whom the Survey is being made, County, Closest Watercourse, Metes & Bounds Description, Surveyor, Deputy Surveyor (if applicable), Chain Carriers, Housekeeper/Pilot/Director, Marker, Magnetic Variation, and Date of Survey.

- **SURVEYS MAY BE ASSIGNED.**
- **SURVEYS DO NOT CONVEY TITLE.**



CIRCUMFERENTOR
(Surveyor's Compass)
With Gunter's Chain
Wikipedia Website



Surveying Measurements

Surveys for land patents in eastern and central Kentucky were in the range and bounds method. Surveys for patents in the Jackson Purchase (Kentucky) were mapped by the surveying method developed for Ranges, Townships and Sections.



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This table provides information regarding both systems of land measurement.

1 pole or 1 rod	=	16.5 feet or 25 links
1 link	=	0.66 feet or 7.92 inches
1 chain	=	100 links, 4 rods, or 66 feet
80 chains	=	1 mile, 320 rods, 1760 yards, or 5280 feet
1 acre	=	10 sq. chains, 160 sq. rods, 4840 sq. yard, or 43,560 sq. feet
1 square mile	=	1 section of land or 640 acres
Township	=	36 sq. miles (36 mile sq. sections)



Surveying methods



Patenting Process: Step 4

GRANTS

FUNCTION: Finalize the Land Patenting Process

Grants include: Name of Governor or Lt. Governor, Name of Patent Recipient(s), Type of Warrant(s) Being Used, Warrant Number(s), County, Watercourse, Metes & Bounds Description, Date of Issuance, Year of the Commonwealth (Virginia or Kentucky), & the Signature of the Governor or Lt. Governor (on original document). *Note: Original Grants, decorated with the Seal & Official Signature are sent to the Patent Recipient, syn. Patentee. The Land Office enters a copy of the Grant in the Land Office Grant Book.*

- **Conveyances after the Grant is issued are filed with the county clerk.**
 - **There is no central deed registration in Kentucky.**
- **Conveyances may be recorded as Deeds or included in Will bequests.**

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the heirs

Hugh Mercer

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Thomas Jefferson Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia To all
 To whom these presents shall come greeting knoweth that in consideration of
 1000 Acres Military Service performed by James Duncanson as Lieutenant in the Second
 Virginia Regiment in the late War between Great Britain and France according
 to the Terms of the King of Great Britains Proclamations of 1763 there is granted
 by the said Commonwealth unto the Heirs of Hugh Mercer Decedent unto my
 Specialties of the said James Duncanson a certain Tract or parcel of Land Containing
 One thousand Acres by Survey bearing unto the Northwest Corner of Mary and Thomas
 Seven Acres and Seventy four Poles and being in the County of Kentucky
 formerly Vincennes on the Ohio River and bounded as follows to wit
 Beginning at four Squares about six Miles above the big Meander River
 thence North two Standards and twenty eight Poles to a sugar tree and
 thencewood, at the Mouth of a brook thence up the Meanders of the
 River seven humans and twenty four Poles to a buckeye elm and thencewood
 at the Mouth of a brook thence South eleven degrees West One Standard
 and twenty eight Poles to a black ash and buckeye on the point of a
 Ridge thence South twenty two degrees West three Standards and fifty five
 Poles and thence South forty nine degrees West three Standards and
 seventy Poles to the Beginning With its appurtenances to have and to
 hold the said Tract or parcel of Land with its appurtenances to the said
 Heirs of the said Hugh Mercer and their heirs for ever in Witness
 whereof the said Thomas Jefferson Governor of the Commonwealth of
 Virginia hath hereunto set his hand and caused the Great Seal of the
 said Commonwealth to be affixed at Richmond on the first day of
 September in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven hundred and
 Eighty and of the fifth year of the Commonwealth

Thomas Jefferson

W Warrant

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E Entry

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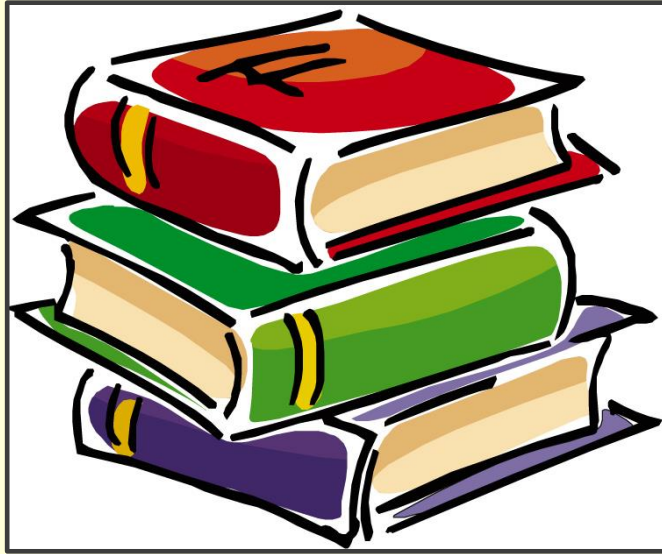
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Kentucky Land Office

The Secretary of State's office is the place to start when researching Kentucky land acquisitions and seeking information about Kentucky's cities and counties.

In Kentucky, land is allocated via the patenting process. The Kentucky Secretary of State's office is the repository for all records pertaining to patents issued within the Kentucky boundary, including those issued by the state of Virginia prior to Kentucky's statehood in 1792. This website contains searchable databases and information regarding [military warrants](#) issued for service in the French and Indian War, Lord Dunmore's War and the Revolutionary War; [non-military warrants](#) and the resulting patents and a number of other databases.

You can also find on this website information about [Kentucky cities](#), including filings since 1942, classification, incorporation date, and status.

For additional information about Kentucky land records and related topics, please visit the Land Office's [Online Resources](#) page, which houses materials that will aid researchers in their study of the Kentucky land patenting process and Land Office databases.

If you would like to obtain copies of records maintained by the Land Office, please [print](#) and return or submit [online](#) a Land Office Order Form. Prepayment is not required; an invoice will be included when your order is returned to you.

The Land Office would love to hear from you. Please feel free to contact us about your research:

- phone: (502) 564-3490
- [email](#)
- mail: Office of the Secretary of State
Land Office
700 Capital Ave., Ste. 80
Frankfort, KY 40601

City Reclassification

Pursuant to the Municipal Reclassification Reform Act, House Bill 331 (Regular Session 2014), codified at KRS 81.005, cities **must** file written notice of reclassification with the Office of Secretary of State **before January 1, 2015**. Any city that fails to comply with the filing requirement will be barred from receiving state moneys until the [notice of reclassification](#) is submitted.

Please complete the form and return it **before January 1, 2015**, to:

Office of the Secretary of State
Capitol Annex, Land Office
702 Capital Ave., Ste. 21-B
Frankfort, KY 40601

✉ kandie.adkinson@ky.gov
Fax: (502) 564-5687

<http://www.sos.ky.gov/admin/land/Pages/default.aspx>

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Non-Military Registers and Land Records


In 1776, the Virginia General Assembly formed Kentucky County out of Fincastle County. The complete text of all [Acts](#) creating Kentucky's 120 counties, plus the Acts creating Fincastle, Kentucky, Beckham, Henrietta and Zollicoffer counties, is contained on this website.

Land in Kentucky is allocated by the land patenting process, which consists of four steps:

1. The warrant(s) authorizing the survey;
2. The entry reserving the land for patenting;
3. The field survey; and
4. The Governor's grant finalizing the patent.

Title is not conveyed until the grant is issued.

The Secretary of State's Land Office is the repository for all records pertaining to patents issued within the Kentucky boundary, including patents issued by the state of Virginia prior to Kentucky's statehood in 1792.

Kentucky land patents are divided into  [nine major groupings](#), each of which traces its origin to Acts of the Virginia or Kentucky General Assembly. In all instances the grantor is either the state of Virginia or the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and the grantee is the person or persons who receives the Governor's grant finalizing the patenting transaction. Images for patent files that have been scanned are available through the [Patent Series Overview](#) website; additional patent series will be made available online as they are scanned.

Early Kentucky settlers who made an improvement and planted a crop prior to January 1, 1778, were entitled to a 400-acre certificate of settlement and could purchase an additional adjacent 1,000 acres under a preemption warrant. Persons who made an improvement and planted a crop in Kentucky County, Virginia from January 1, 1778, through May 1779 could purchase a 400-acre preemption warrant. This office maintains a database of settlers whom the Land Commission deemed qualified for [Certificates of Settlement and Preemption Warrants](#).

Chapter XIII, Land Law B, passed in May 1779, expanded the land patenting process to include acquisitions under treasury warrants. Information for all entries in the [Virginia Treasury Warrants](#) Registers, Vols. I and II as copied by Edmund Thomas, Register of the Kentucky Land Office, and certified by William Prince, Register of the Virginia Land Office, is available online.

In 1780, Kentucky County, Virginia, was divided into three counties (Jefferson, Fayette and Lincoln), each of which had a principal surveyor who conducted field surveys and oversaw the work of deputy surveyors in the county. Entries for [Lincoln County](#) are listed on this website.

Occasionally, heirs and devisees filed Wills in order to finalize patents initiated by deceased family members. [Wills](#) that have been located by this office are accessible on this website.

The Jackson Purchase in Western Kentucky is the only portion of Kentucky mapped by the federal government's public surveying method. The [Jackson Purchase Locator](#) allows researchers to enter range, township and East/West coordinates to determine the location of a West of Tennessee River patent as defined by the 1885 Loughridge Map. West of Tennessee River patents are indexed in Jillson's *Kentucky Land Grants*, Vol. 1.

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Certificates of Settlement & Preemption Warrants

Under the Virginia land law of 1779, any bona fide settler in Kentucky County (also known as the Kentucky District) prior to January 1, 1778, who had made an improvement and planted a crop of corn was eligible for a 400-acre certificate of settlement for the land he or she had improved. The settler could purchase an additional adjoining 1,000 acres under a preemption warrant. All those who had "marked out" or chosen unappropriated lands and built any house or hut or made improvements prior to January 1, 1778, but who could not prove actual settlement were entitled to a preemption of no more than 1,000 acres. (These warrants were issued for "chop claims" or "lottery cabin improvements.")

Anyone in Kentucky County, Virginia, after January 1, 1778, and before May 1779, when the Virginia Land Law was written, was eligible for a 400-acre preemption warrant for the tract on which he or she had made an improvement.

A Land Commission was appointed to hear testimony from Kentucky County residents and their witnesses. The Commission then decided who qualified for certificates of settlement, 1000-acre preemption warrants and 400-acre preemption warrants. The Commission's journal is contained in the [Doomsday Book](#).

The Certificates of Settlement and Preemption Warrants [Database](#) is indexed by warrant number, individual acquiring the certificate and warrant, immediate assignees and tract location; it includes scanned images of commissioners' certificates. Microfilm of the certificates and authorizations for preemption warrants is available at the Land Office, Kentucky History Center, Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, Filson Club, Sons of the American Revolution Library and the Library of Virginia.

Many of the search results on the Database link to patent files, which may be reviewed and printed in pane format through the Virginia and Old Kentucky Patent Series Database. Some counties in present-day Virginia and West Virginia are included in this index; please contact the Library of Virginia in Richmond, Virginia, for information regarding patents authorized by those preemption warrants.

For additional information regarding certificates of settlement and preemption warrants, please review the [frequently asked questions](#), read the article, "[Certificates of Settlement & Preemption Warrants Database](#)," or contact the Land Office at (502) 564-3490 or via [email](#).

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Early Certificates of Settlement and Preemption Warrants in Kentucky County, Virginia - Results for 'Fayette'

Search By County: OR... Preemption Wt. #: OR... Search By: Match: Search For: Show:

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26.)

Name: Williams, John

Type #1: Settlement

Type #2: Preemption

[Location/WaterCourse](#): East Fork of Licking Creek

Issue Date: 3/26/1782

Williams was serving in the military when the Land Commissioners were in session. Williams was later represented by his agent, Joseph Lindsay.

Preemption Warrant #: 2093 [Cropped Image](#) | [Original Scanned Image](#)

County: Fayette

Acreage #1: 400

Acreage #2: 1000

Authorized: [VA 8480.0](#); [VA 8481.0](#)

27.)

Name: Patterson, William

Type #1: Preemption

[Location/WaterCourse](#): Licking Creek

Issue Date: 3/12/1782

PW*: *

Preemption Warrant #: 1762 [Cropped Image](#) | [Original Scanned Image](#)

County: Fayette

Acreage #1: 1000

Authorized: [OK 4731.0](#)

28.)

Name: Shepard, David

Type #1: Preemption

[Location/WaterCourse](#): NonePreemption Warrant #: 2254 [Cropped Image](#) | [Original Scanned Image](#)

County: Fayette

Acreage #1: 1000

Assignee #1: Chew, James



CHAPTER II

An Act for giving further time to officers and soldiers to ascertain their claims to lands.

Approved October 1779

WHEREAS many officers and soldiers of the Virginia Line, now in the Continental Army, may have claims to lands on the western waters, from settlements or improvements made thereon, and have it not in their power to attend the commissioners appointed to adjust and ascertain such claims within the time limited for that purpose; for remedy whereof,

Be it enacted, That all officers and soldiers of the Virginia Line now in the Continental Army, shall be allowed twelve months from the time they resign, or are discharged from the service, to ascertain their respective claims to lands by settlements or improvements before the court of the county, wherein the lands they claim may be; and such court is hereby empowered and required to hear and determine such claims in like manner as is prescribed for the commissioners of the several districts on the western waters.

REF: "The Statutes at Large, Being a Collection of All the Laws of Virginia", Volume XI, Edited by William Waller Hening, 1823, page 132.

At court continued and held for the County of Fayette
the 13th day of Feb^r 1783

Due application and satisfactory proof being made
this Court doth certify that Joseph Lindsay agent
for John Williams is intitled to a Settlement of
Four Hundred Acres of Land situate on the Waters of
the East Fork of Licking Creek adjoining William
Mays Settlement & preemption and to the pre-emption
of One thousand Acres of Land adjoining his Settlement
by virtue of the said Williams Settlement in
the Country before the year 1778 raising Corn at
Harrodsburg residing one Year from his Settlement
& by being prevented from attending the Commissioners
by the Country Service

Attest Teste Levi Todd C. C. H.



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The series are based on the type of warrant authorizing the survey, the location of the tract and the date the Governor's grant was issued. Most of the patent collection consists of patents authorized by warrants purchased from the Virginia Land Office, the Kentucky Land Office or County Courts.

Virginia Patent Series and Old Kentucky Patent Series

Patents under these series were authorized under 1779 legislation passed by the Virginia General Assembly establishing the land patenting process for appropriating land in Kentucky County and under the terms of a 1789 compact with Virginia by which Kentucky agreed to honor patents issued prior to its statehood on June 1, 1792. This [database](#) is still under construction, but files can be accessed by patent number or grantee.

West of Tennessee River Military Patents

The southern portion of the area known as the Jackson Purchase in western Kentucky was acquired from the Chicksaw Indian Nation in 1818. A number of Revolutionary War veterans, or their assigns, had settled in the area without clear title to their land holdings. In 1820 the Kentucky General Assembly approved legislation that instructed the veterans, or their assigns, to proceed with the land patenting process. This [website](#) includes information on 242 patents authorized by military warrants issued to Virginia veterans and scanned images of the patent files.

West of Tennessee River Non-Military Patents

On February 14, 1820, the Kentucky General Assembly passed legislation mandating the mapping of the Jackson Purchase into ranges, townships and sections. On December 21, 1821, the legislature provided for the sale of vacant fractional or complete quarter-sections (160 acres) in the Jackson Purchase. This [database](#) includes the names of persons who bought tracts at public land sales, their assignees, witnesses to assignments, grantees, cost of the tract and total acreage. It also contains links to scanned images for over 8,500 patent files. The Jackson Purchase Locator allows researchers to determine the location of the patented tract or, by entering coordinates, who patented sections and townships in the Purchase region.

County Court Orders

In 1835 the Kentucky General Assembly passed legislation that allowed counties to sell warrants authorizing surveys for patent applications. The County Court Order Series consists of 70,241 patents from 1835 to 2000. It is the largest patent series in this office, and the [database](#) is particularly useful to surveyors, engineers, land title researchers and lawyers involved in land litigation.

The remaining patent series (South of Green River, Tellico, Kentucky Land Warrants, South of Walker's Line and Warrants for Headrights) are not available online at this time. These series will be added when indexing and scanning is complete. Copies of files may be obtained via [online order form](#) or [emailing](#) the Land Office.



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In 1779 the Virginia General Assembly passed legislation that established the land patenting process for appropriating land in Kentucky County. A variety of land warrants and special legislative acts could be used to initiate a patent. Under the terms of the 1789 Compact with Virginia, Kentucky agreed to honor patents issued prior to Kentucky's statehood on June 1, 1792. The land patenting process continued after statehood.

This website allows researchers to [access files](#) for both the Virginia and Old Kentucky Patent Series. The master database is under construction, but files can be accessed by patent number or grantee. A number of other search functions are also available:

- [Caveats](#) - Caveats were filed to halt a land patent in progress until a court could determine whether the land had previously been patented. Caveat papers often include references to the dates of settlement by the claimant, the claimant's county of residence and other information deemed necessary to prove a prior claim. Caveat papers may include the court's judgment affecting the issuance of the grant.
- [Unfinished Patents](#) - These warrants and surveys either did not result in Governor's grants finalizing patents, or the appropriate files have not yet been identified.
- [Unused Warrants](#) - Patents authorized by these warrants have not yet been linked to any patent files.

Land Office staff has compiled a list of [selected patents](#) that exemplify various warrants or historical references.

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Sample Patents

Although every patent file is significant for family or historical research, the following selected patents exemplify various warrants or historical references.

- George Rogers Clark's 10,000-acre military warrant for service as a Brigadier General during the Revolutionary War: [WTRM 181](#)
- Survey by Daniel Boone: [VA 8392.0](#)
- Warrant issued to widow for husband's service in the French and Indian War: [VA 4147.0](#)
- Warrant issued for service in Colonel Washington's Regiment during the French and Indian War: [VA 3699.0](#)
- Warrant issued for service with General Braddock during the French and Indian War: [VA 4986.0](#)
- Importation Warrant: [VA 3422.0](#)
- Squire Boone's Settlement Tract (the Stockfields) on Silver Creek: [VA 6513.0](#)
- Plat drawing including Simon Kenton's cabin: [VA 1628.0](#)
- Court Order authorizing Poor Person's patent: [VA 4058](#)
- Non-Military land claims in northern Jackson Purchase region, including Paducah, prior to 1818: [VA 8928.0](#), [VA 8924.0](#), [VA 3862.0](#), [VA 8857.0](#), [VA 9099.0](#), [VA 8935.0](#), [VA 9102.0](#), [VA 9103.0](#), [VA 8997.0](#)
- Grant apparently signed by Gov. Patrick Henry: [VA 3407.0](#)
- Big Bone Lick: [VA 3931.0](#) (issued by Lord Dunmore), [OK 6302.0](#), [OK 3229.0](#)
- Frankfort patents: [VA 3195.0](#), [VA 3482.0](#), [VA 0060.0](#), [VA 0843.0](#), [VA 6687.0](#), [VA 2974.0](#) (including new Capitol)
- Pikeville: [OK 2508.0](#) (one of several claims in the area by Rev. James Madison)
- Warrant issued for clearing a road over Cumberland Mountain: [VA 9117.0](#)
- Affidavits regarding Ruddell's Station: [VA 9148.1](#)
- Land Office copy of grant issued by Virginia Governor Thomas Jefferson and signed at Williamsburg in 1779: [VA 0016.0](#) (numerous other grants issued by Gov. Jefferson are also found in the [VA 3920.1](#) patent range)
- Plat drawing depicting trace leading from Boonesborough to the Hazel Patch: [OK 0116.0](#)
- Benjamin Logan's Certificate of Settlement claim (mentions canebrakes and his house): [VA 0634.0](#)
- Patent issued for the benefit of the Hartford Academy: [OK 5728.0](#)
- Survey by Daniel Boone. References an old camp made by Daniel & Edward Boone. File includes Affidavit of Descent: [VA 6750.0](#)
- Signature of John Filson: [VA 6488.0](#)
- Signature of Simon Kenton & Survey by John Bradford: [VA 5505.0](#)

The Affiant of Captain John Rude - who being duly sworn according to law - says that he is in his fifty fourth year of age - & that ever since his recollection he ~~has been~~ acquainted with John Ruddle - That he the deponent and John and James Ruddle were together in this country in the fall 1779, and staid at Ruddle's station, & that they three kept a kind of batchelor hall in said station together - while the station stood - That in the month of June 1780 this deponent left said station on a Wednesday - and on the Saturday following the station was attacked and taken by the British and Indians, and this deponent, ^{while probably} escaped being killed or taken prisoner by his being ~~secretly~~ ^{abruptly} from ~~there~~ ^{the fort} John and James Ruddle, were taken prisoner, and this deponent was well informed by the prisoners and all others who could be supposed to have any knowledge, of the subject that John Ruddle was killed by the savages the same year before they got him to Detroit. At all events this deponent has never seen him or heard of his existence since - That John Ruddle was the reputed legitimate son of Archibald Ruddle, & was the eldest son and James Ruddle was his next oldest brother, & that said John died childless, unmarried and without wife, as far as was this deponent known or believed, About two years afterwards, or upwards, said James Ruddle returned from his captivity this deponent had knowledge of John Ruddle acquiring land on the South Fork of Pickens a small distance above Ruddle's station previous

to his captivity, and this deponent also having that James Ruddle has lived on the same land upward of twenty years last past -

Sworn to and Subscribed before me a justice of the peace of Bourbon County & Commonwealth of Kentucky this 27th day of April

1813 - ~~given &c~~

Thasmas Hughes

9148 No. 1





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The Virginia General Assembly (prior to June 1, 1792) and the Kentucky General Assembly (after June 1, 1792) approved legislation that established the process for appropriating land in early Kentucky. Patents for Kentucky land prior to June 1, 1792, are filed in the Virginia Patent Series. Patents for Kentucky land after June 1, 1792, are filed in the Old Kentucky Patent Series.

- [Proclamation of 1754](#)
- [King's Proclamation of 1763](#)
- [Virginia's Volunteer Army 1779](#)
- [Provisions for Military 1779](#)
- [Land Law 1779 \(A\)](#) - includes usage of French and Indian War Military Warrants, certificates of settlement and preemption warrants, importation warrants, village rights, lands claimed by survey companies and establishment of land commissions to hear claims
- [Land Law 1779 \(B\)](#) - includes establishment of Land Office in Virginia, treasury warrants, bounty land warrants for Revolutionary War soldiers, appointment of county surveyors, location of revolutionary war district, lands subject to patenting, patenting process and penalties for altering warrants
- [Location of Military District](#)
- [Military Bounty Warrants 1779](#)
- [Poor Persons Act 1781](#)
- [Payment to Croghan and Thompson 1798](#)

Disclaimer: The text of these Acts was entered manually; researchers should consult the published versions of the Virginia and Kentucky Acts for official use. Those Acts can be researched at the Kentucky History Center Library, the Department for Libraries and Archives, and the Supreme Court Law Library, all in Frankfort.



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Names in the drop-box listings are limited to recipients of the Grant (Grantees); names are not cross-referenced.

To expand the search, we suggest researchers access the Kentucky Historical Society publications ["Master Index: Virginia Surveys & Grants"](#) and the ["Index to Old Kentucky Surveys & Grants"](#) available on the Kentucky Historical Society website. Use numbers in the "Original Survey Number" field in both publications to access patents on this database. Patents for which duplicate numbers were issued, such as 5079 are viewed as 5079#1 and 5079#2 in Historical Society publications. For this database, the numbers will be depicted as 5079.1 and 5079.2.

- To obtain images for a specific series, first select the series in the first combobox. Then sort numerically by patent number or alphabetically by grantee.
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Richard King Clerk

17th March 1788

Attest the 25th 1788 Surveyed for John

Wm. Williams
686 acres
1788
Surveyed for John

John Williams
686 acres
May on
17th June
1788
1788
May 1788

Williams 686 acres of land by virtue of an entry made
January 17th 1788 on a Certificate for Settlement Statute
being and being in Mason County on the waters of
Lees creek a branch of the north fork oficking
Beginning at a white oak and Buckeye corner to said

Williams former Survey of 161 acres thence So East 106.5
poles to a Blackberry Hickory and buckeye thence 100 to
100 poles to a Pine and blackberry Hickory thence North
30 West 106.5 poles to two Black walnuts corner to Wil-
liam Mays Settlement thence with the line of said
of 161 acres at the East 103 poles to the Beginning

Benjamin Jones
Geo. Hagers
John Men

For See Ld.
Ed Henry Ld. 1788

James M Gentry Pilot & Surveyor

Wm. Williams
686 acres
1788
Surveyed for John

Grant BK. 16, P. 315

John Williams
161 acres
Mason
Co.

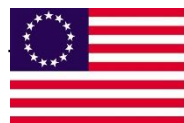
Henry Lee Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia
To all to whom these presents shall come greeting: Know Ye
that by virtue of a Certificate in Right of Settlement given by the
Commissioners for adjusting the Titles to unsurveyed lands in
the District of Kentucky, and in consideration of the ancient
composition of one pound sterling paid by John Williams into
the Treasury of this Commonwealth, there is granted by the said
Commonwealth unto the said John Williams, a certain tract or
parcel of land containing one hundred and sixty one acres by

Survey, bearing date the 25th day of November 1789, lying and
being in the County of Mason, on the waters of Lees creek
a branch of the North fork oficking, and bounded as followeth
To wit: Beginning at two honey locusts corner to
William Mays Settlement, and from thence, thence North
half

Sixty degrees East one hundred and three poles to a buckberry,
Black locust and buckeye, thence South thirty degrees East
two hundred and fifty poles ending two branches to a white
oak and buckeye, thence South sixty degrees West one hundred
and three poles to two Black walnuts corner to William Mays
Settlement, thence with Mays Settlement line, North thirty
degrees West two hundred and fifty poles to the Beginning
with its appurtenances, to have and to hold the said tract or
parcel of land with its appurtenances, to the said John Williams
and his heirs forever: In Witness whereof the said Henry
Lee Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia
hath hereunto set his hand and caused the lesser Seal of
the said Commonwealth to be affixed at Richmond on
the eighteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one
thousand seven hundred and ninety two, and of the Com-
monwealth the sixteenth.

Henry Lee

8481



ROLL OF PENSIONERS.

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Weeks, David, private, North Carolina militia
May 13, 1833; \$28.55. Age 74.
Winstead, Mandley, private, North Carolina militia
November 16, 1832; \$30. Age —.
Wright, George, private, Virginia militia
February 6, 1833; \$47.97. Age —.
Wilson, Josiah, private, North Carolina militia
November 16, 1832; \$46.45. Age —.

REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS LIVING IN THE COUNTY IN 1840.

(Collins, Vol. I, p. 6)

Curtis, James, age 84. Herron, James, age 102.
Givens, William, age 78. Montgomery, John, age 72.
Winstead, Manley, age 80.
Total for the County, 32.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

PENSIONERS UNDER THE ACT OF MARCH 18, 1818.

Brock, Henry, private, Virginia line
Jan. 30, 1822; Nov. 10, 1821; \$96. Age 75. Died March 24, 1822.
Bartlett, John, private, Virginia line
January 8, 1824; September 15, 1823; \$96. Age 84.
Bateman, Thomas, private, Maryland line
May 18, 1826; May 2, 1826; \$96. Age 79.
Cooper, Leven, private, Virginia line
June 8, 1819; May 12, 1818; \$96. Age 79.
Gray, George, captain, Pennsylvania line
February 10, 1819; April 30, 1818; \$96. Age —.
Griffin, Reuben, private, Virginia line
May 6, 1820; November 20, 1819; \$96. Age 73.
Griffin, William, private, Virginia line
February 1, 1821; October 12, 1820; \$96. Age 79. Dead.
Huston, William, private, Virginia line
February 10, 1819; July 13, 1818; \$96. Age 78.
Horseley, James, private, Virginia line
November 27, 1821; July 24, 1821; \$96. Age 63.
Kelly, 2d, Thomas, private, Virginia line
May 23, 1822; February 15, 1821; \$96. Age 73.
Leatherman, Michael, Pennsylvania line
June 29, 1830; June 28, 1830; \$96. Age 80. Died July 6, 1831.
Merritt, Archelaus, private, Virginia line
Nov. 27, 1821; July 13, 1821; \$96. Age 64. Died March 30, 1824.

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REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS IN KENTUCKY.

McKinney, Thomas, private, Virginia line
Sept. 25, 1823; March 15, 1823; \$96. Age 62. Died Dec. 10, 1832.
Penn, Benjamin, private, Maryland line
April 3, 1820; Aug. 23, 1819; \$96. Age 81. Died May 10, 1827.
Pike, Robert, private, Virginia line
September 7, 1819; July 30, 1819; \$96. Age 88.
Ross, Nathaniel, private, New York line
Feb. 10, 1819; July 14, 1818; \$96. Age 75. Died Sept. 18, 1825.
Rooksbury, Jacob, private, Georgia line
February 11, 1820; June 8, 1818; \$96. Age 60.
Stevenson, William, private, Pennsylvania line
June 8, 1819; June 9, 1818; \$96. Age 78. Died September 16, 1821.
Taylor, William, major, Virginia line
November 6, 1818; May 1, 1818; \$240. Age 81.
Wilkenson, Benjamin, private, Virginia line
May 23, 1822; May 16, 1818; \$96. Age 80.
Wilson, Robert, captain, Pennsylvania line
June 8, 1819; May 9, 1818; \$96. Age —.

PENSIONERS UNDER THE ACT OF JUNE 7, 1832.

(Began March 4, 1831.)

Briscoe, Henry, private, Maryland line
February 27, 1833; \$20. Age 72.
Conn, Samuel, private, Virginia militia
April 17, 1834; \$30. Age 74.
Goodwin, Amos, private, Virginia line
November 6, 1832; \$80. Age 68.
Harding, Vachel, private, Maryland line
January 12, 1834; \$30. Age 73.
Humfres, John, private, Virginia line
February 10, 1819; \$96. Age 72. Reduced to \$60 under act of
June 7, 1832.
Merewether, William, sergeant of cavalry, Virginia line
\$177.25. Age 76.
Murphy, John, private of cavalry, Virginia line
May 6, 1833; \$100. Age 71.
Miller, Frederick, private, North Carolina militia
May 29, 1833; \$46.66. Age 78.
Maloney, Robert, private, Virginia militia
June 20, 1834; \$24.16. Age 68.
Pounds, Hezekiah, private, New Jersey militia
April 16, 1833; \$33.33. Age 72.
Pilkinton, Larkin, private, Virginia militia
August 21, 1833; \$40. Age 72.

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Parker, Thomas, sergeant, Virginia militia
September 25, 1833; \$120. Age 78.
Pennington, James, private, Virginia militia
December 14, 1833; \$47.77. Age 82.
Tyler, William, private, Virginia line
April 16, 1833; \$80. Age 78.
Urton, James, private, Virginia line
April 17, 1834; \$20. Age 82.
Wilson, Robert, captain, adjutant, and major, Pennsylvania line
November 2, 1833; \$480. Age 82.
Welsh, James, private, sergeant, and lieutenant, Pennsylvania militia
November 22, 1832; \$87.21. Age 82.
Weinnand, Philip, private, Maryland militia
May 30, 1833; \$26.66. Age 80.
White, David, private, Virginia line
September 23, 1833; \$42.44. Age 81.
Yeager, Elisha, private, Virginia militia
February 2, 1833; \$20. Age —.

PENSIONERS UNDER THE ACT OF MAY 15, 1828.

(Began March 3, 1826.)

Breckinridge, Robert, lieutenant, Virginia line
August 2, 1823; \$320. Died September 11, 1833. James D. Breckinridge, executor.
Hite, Abraham, captain, eighth regiment, Virginia line
August 2, 1828; \$480.
Nelson, John, musician, Lamb's artillery
September 9, 1828; \$104.
Taylor, Richard, major, eleventh regiment, Virginia line
July 29, 1828; \$600.

Total for the County, 45.

JESSAMINE COUNTY.

PENSIONERS UNDER THE ACT OF MARCH 18, 1818.

Adams, Benjamin, private, Virginia line
September 12, 1820; June 4, 1818; \$96. Age 85.
Biswell, John, private, Virginia line
Feb. 13, 1819; May 18, 1818; \$96. Age 64. Died Aug. 7, 1824.
Cox, John, private, North Carolina line
June 14, 1822; February 18, 1822; \$96. Age 71.
Picklin, John, private, Virginia line
April 22, 1820; June 17, 1818; \$96. Age 64. Died June 6, 1819.

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Military Registers & Land Records

Under the terms of the Proclamation of 1763, issued by England's King George III, soldiers who served in the French & Indian War and Lord Dunmore's War were paid with bounty land warrants. The soldier's rank determined the acreage awarded by the warrant. The warrants were used to obtain land patents.

The same principle of "land for military service" was used to pay soldiers of the Revolutionary War. Each colony determined the acreage per rank, requisite duration of service and location of its respective military district. The Military District for Virginia was located in southwestern Kentucky and southcentral Ohio. The [Revolutionary War Warrants](#) website contains information regarding military warrants issued to Virginia veterans prior to 1792 and all Kentucky patents authorized by those warrants, and the database indexes 4,748 bounty land warrants issued by Virginia to veterans of the Revolutionary War.

In 1818 the Jackson Purchase in Kentucky was acquired from the Chickasaw Indians. A number of Revolutionary War veterans or their assigns had settled in the area without clear title to their land holdings, and in 1820 the Kentucky General Assembly approved legislation that instructed the veterans or their assigns to proceed with the land patenting process. The [West of Tennessee River Military Patents](#) website includes information on 242 patents authorized by warrants issued under this legislation.

Military Land Office

On July 20, 1784, the Land Office for the Virginia Military District was opened near Louisville. Colonel Richard Clough Anderson was the Principal Surveyor for veterans serving in the Virginia Continental Line, and Major William Croghan and General George Rogers Clark were appointed Principal Surveyors for veterans serving in the Virginia State Line (or Militia). Due to the size of the Military District, a number of deputies assisted the Principal Surveyors.

In 1879 the Kentucky General Assembly abolished the office of surveyor of military lands. The "present incumbent of that office" was ordered to send all books, papers and documents pertaining to his office to the Register of the Land Office "by the safest and cheapest mode of conveyance." 1879 Acts, Chapter 105, Article IV.

Questions?

Please consult the [frequently asked questions](#) for more detailed information about military registers and land records in Kentucky.

Non-Military Warrants/Patents

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Revolutionary War Warrants Database

This database includes 4,748 bounty land warrants issued by Virginia to veterans of the Revolutionary War. Warrants, the first step in land patenting, were given as payment for military services; the [allotment](#) was determined by the soldier's rank and time of service, and the land was located in the [Revolutionary War Military District](#). Patents issued for service in the Revolutionary War are filed with the Virginia Patent Series (VA), Old Kentucky Patent Series (OK) and the West of the Tennessee River Military Patent Series (WTRM).

Warrants can be [searched](#) by veteran's name, warrant number and immediate assignee. Scanned images from the military warrants register are included for each warrant number. The "authorized" field identifies the patent(s) authorized by each warrant. If the warrant did not authorize a patent in Virginia's Military District in Kentucky, there is no further information available in the Kentucky Land Office for that warrant. For assistance with researching Revolutionary War Warrants, please consult the [Research Help](#) section of this website.

For more information about Revolutionary War warrants in Kentucky, please review the [frequently asked questions](#) or contact the Land Office at (502) 564-3490 or via [email](#).

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Our database indexes 4,748 Virginia Revolutionary Warrants. There are 121 duplicate numbers, therefore our warrants range in number from one to 4,627. Contact the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus for Virginia warrants with higher numbers than 4,627. To search by warrant number, key the entire four-digit number. Example: Warrant #1 must be keyed as 0001. Information for two military warrants may appear if the number was duplicated by the land office. Simply select the number that corresponds to the veteran's name you are searching.

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Veteran

Breckinridge (Brackenridge), Alexander

Breckinridge (Brackenridge), Robert

Assignee

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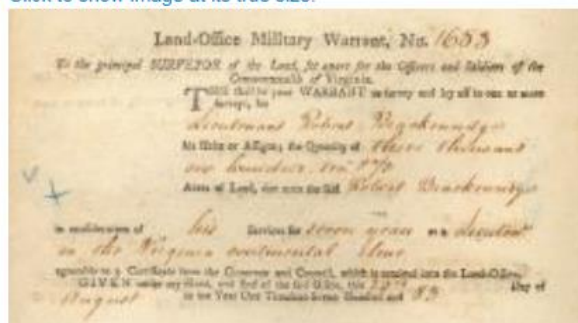
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Detailed Information About Breckinridge (Brackenridge), Robert

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Assignee		Acres	3,610.66
Rank	Lieutenant	Unit	Virginia Continental Line
Branch	Unknown	Date	8/23/1783
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Land-Office Military Warrant, No. 1653

To the principal SURVEYOR of the Land, set apart for the Officers and Soldiers of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

THIS shall be your WARRANT to survey and lay off in one or more surveys, for

Lieutenant Robert Brackenridge

his Heirs or Assigns; the Quantity of *three thousand six hundred ten & 2/3*

Acres of Land, due unto the said *Robert Brackenridge*

in consideration of

his Services for *seven years* as a *Lieutenant*
in the Virginia continental Line

agreeably to a Certificate from the Governor and Council, which is received into the Land-Office.

GIVEN under my Hand, and Seal of the said Office, this *23rd* Day of

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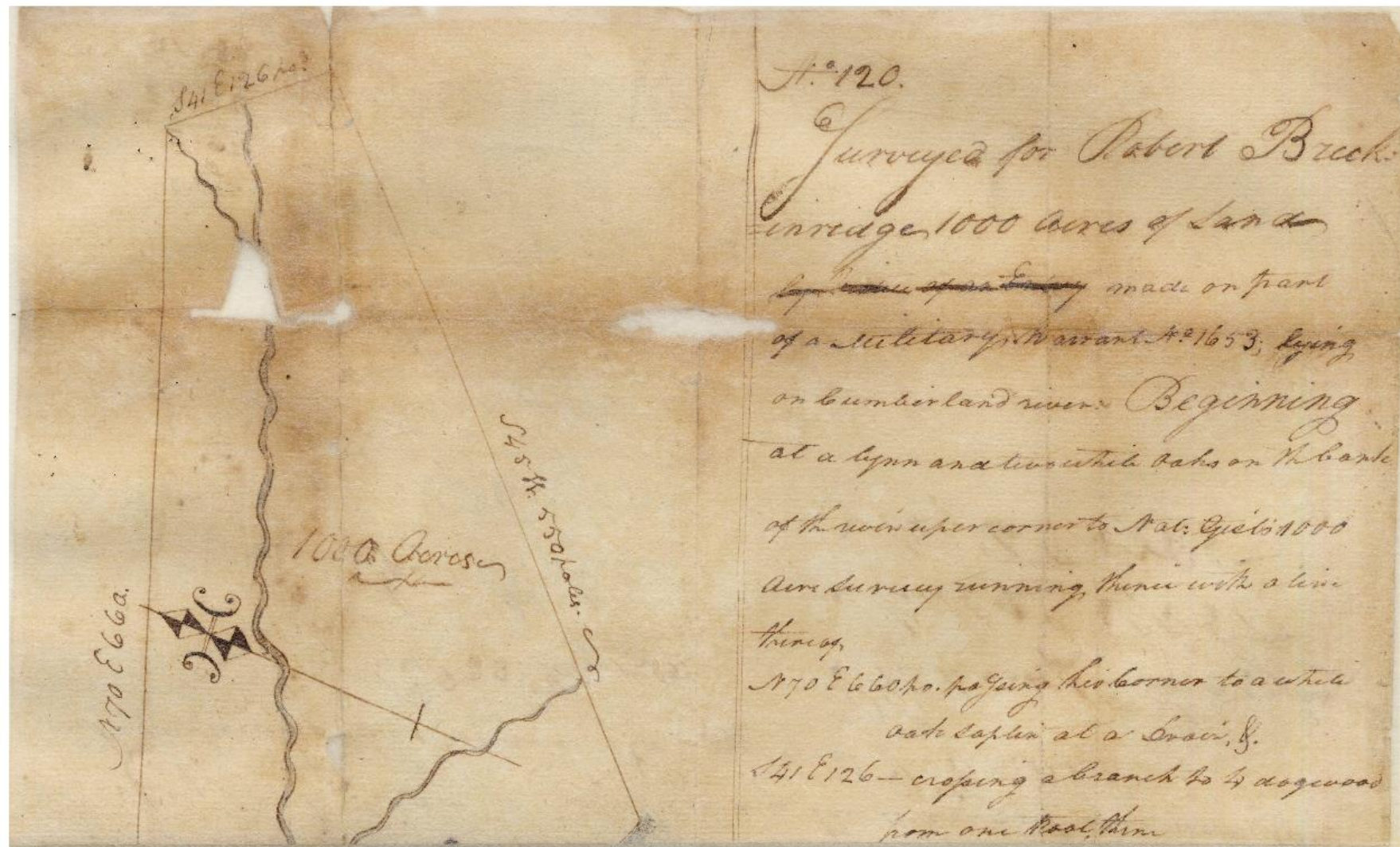
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Description: BRECKENRIDGE, ROBERT

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Surveyed for Robert Breck-
enridge 1000 acres of land
~~by line of survey~~ made on part
of a military warrant N^o 1653, lying
on Cumberland river. Beginning
at a lynn and two white oaks on the bank
of the river upper corner to Nat. Eyles 1000
acre survey running thence with a line
thence
N 70 E 66 to a white
oak caplin at a Snail, &
S 41 E 126—crossing a branch to 4 dogwood
from one Paul, thence



S 45 W 55—crossing a branch to an ash & white
oak on the bank of the river thence
N 71 W 132 to N 50 W 107 to N 98 W 177
across the several courses thence to the
Beginning

Grant 1653

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Robt. Breckinridge

1000 Acres

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No.

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Patrick Henry Esquire Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia To all to whom these presents shall come greeting know ye that by Virtue and in Consideration of part of a Military Warrent Number 1653 and Given the 3rd day of August 1783 there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto Robert Breckinridge a certain Tract or Parcel of land containing one thousand Acres by Survey bearing date the 2nd day of March 1785 lying and being in the district set apart for the Officers and Soldiers of the Continental line and on Cumberland River and bounded as followeth to Wit Beginning at a line and two white oaks on the bank of the River upper Corner to Nathaniel Gerts one thousand Acres Survey running thence with a line thereof north

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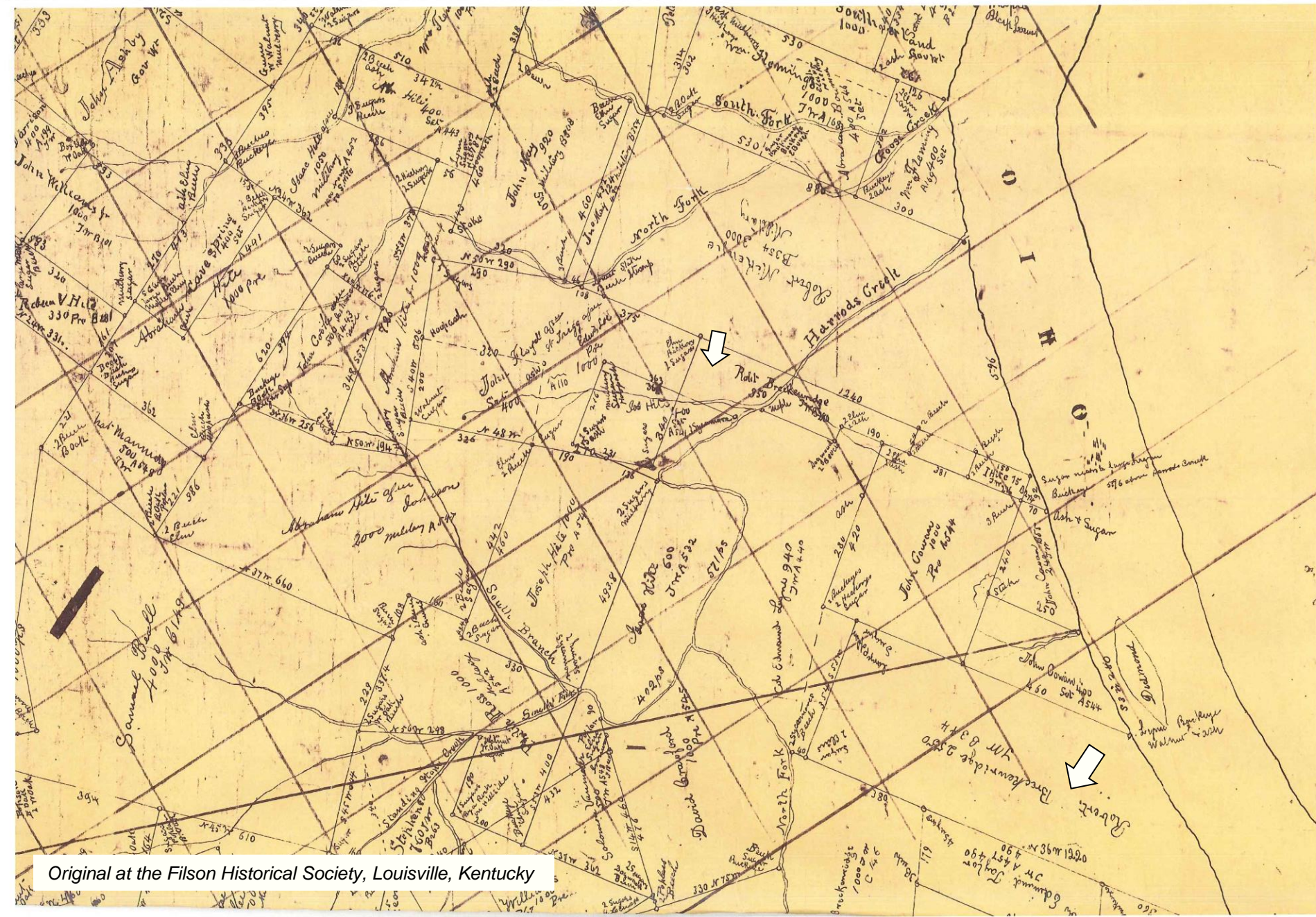


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Last Name: Breckenridge

First Name: Robert

Middle Name:

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Section #:

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Tribe: ----- Any Tribe -----

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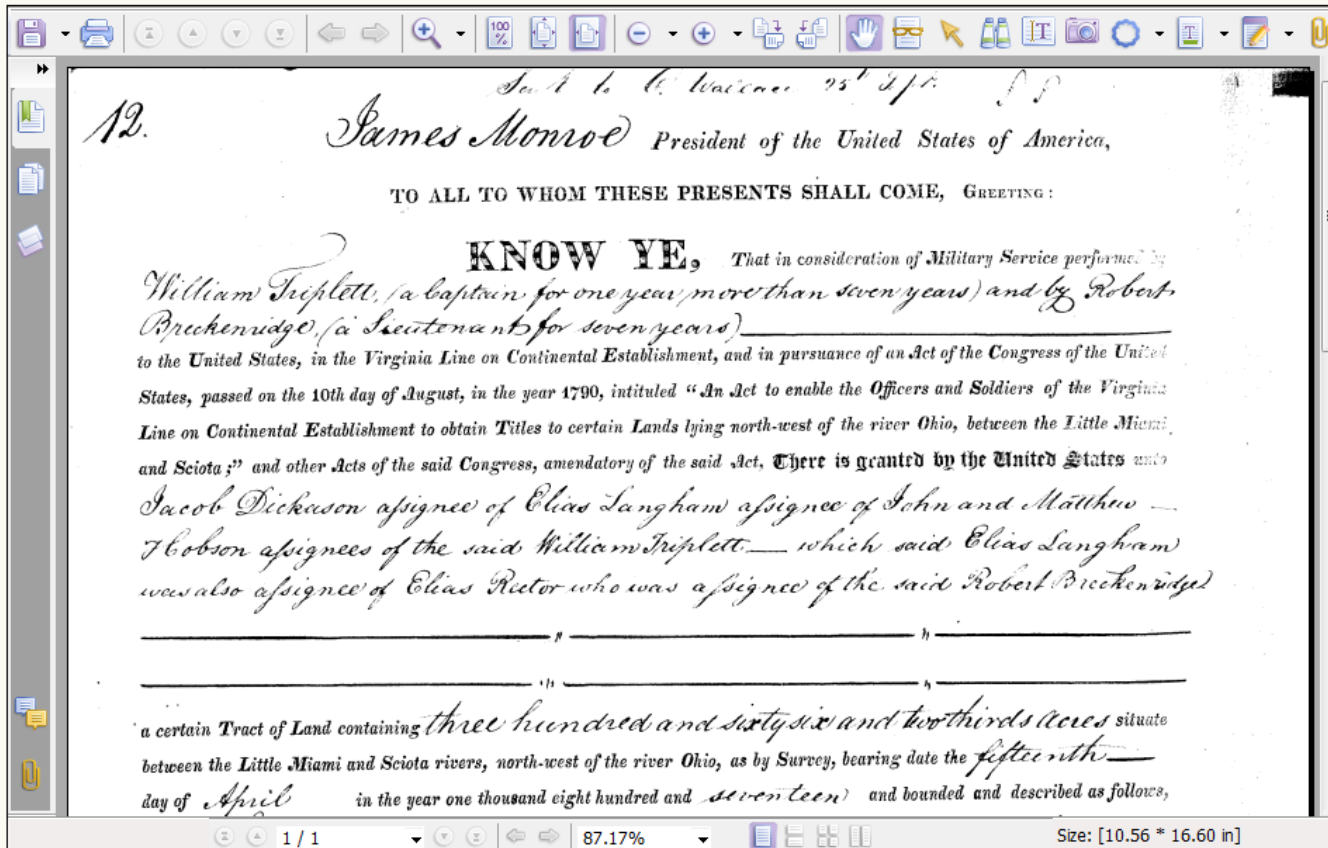
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 11934 iss. 5/29/1792 to Walter
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 res. when pension applied for
 was Lincoln Co., N.C., Ctf.508.
 Iss. 8/3/1829 or 8/19. \$480 per
 annum began 5/3/1826. Agent
 Daniel M. Tooney, Exr. D.10/25/
 1828. No papers in file as claim
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 Benjamin, N.C., S3068
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 Iss. 1/12/1799. No papers
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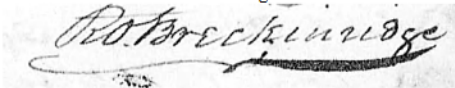
For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act, entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th day of May 1828; I Robert Breckinridge of the City of Louisville, in the County of Jefferson and State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I was an officer in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution. That my first service was in the 8th Virginia Regiment from which I was transferred, or arranged, to the 4th Regiment with the rank of Lieutenant, which was ordered, under the command of Colonel Nevill [John Neville], to the defense of Charlestown [sic, Charleston] in South Carolina, where, upon its fall in the month of May 1780 [May 12, 1780], I was made prisoner – that I was exchanged in the month of June 1781, and ordered to Join a Corps of Infantry then organizing at Cumberland Court house in the State of Virginia. That the said Corps marched under the command of Colonel Posey [Thomas Posey] to the South and Joined the Army under the command of General Greene [Nathanael Greene] – and that I remained in the service as an officer till the end of the War.

In support of the foregoing statement I send enclosed my commission as a Lieutenant, Parole, and Certificate of Exchange.

I also declare, that I afterwards received Certificates commonly called commutation certificates for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay, which sum was offered by the Resolve of Congress of the 22nd of March 1783 instead of half pay for life, to which I was entitled under the Resolve of the 21st of October 1780. And I further declare that I have received no money of the United States as a pensioner since the 3rd March 1826

Witness my hand this 27th day of June 1828.

S/ RO Breckinridge



[Worden Pope and Abraham Hite gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Revolutionary Claims

Treasury Department,

July 26, 1828

Robert Breckinridge of Louisville in the County of Jefferson in the State of Kentucky has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that was an officer in the Continental line, and served as such to the end of the war, at which period he was a Lieut. serving in Posey's Detachment of the Virginia line; and that he received

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commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and, further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March 1826, nothing ~~dollars, paid to him by the agent in the State of~~—

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary

S/ F. A. Dickinson

Treasury Department,

Third Auditor's Office,

21st July 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that final settlement certificates had been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to Robert Breckenridge Lieut. in the Virginia line, amounting to Sixteen Hundred dollars.

It further appears that Robert Breckenridge is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd of March 1826 at the rate of — per month.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

[There is a note in this file as follows:

"Commission, Parole and Exchange not on file in this case. P. S. C. Nov. 7 1912.

And as claims under this Act were adjudicated in the Treasury Department, it is not possible now to trace them up. AW Nov. 15, 1912."]

[Another note in this file reads:

"Commission No. 8 in favor of Robert Breckenridge as Lieut. in the 4th Virginia Regiment to rank from 4th of April 1778 and dated 20th March 1779."]



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McGowen, Samuel.....	150	13	66	9-18-1797	Military	N Fk Gasper R
McGowan, James.....	33	18	14	10-23-1811	Montgomery	Red R
McGowan, James.....	13	18	15	10-23-1811	Montgomery	Red R
McGowan, James.....	35	18	15	10-23-1811	Montgomery	Red R
McGraw, Jno.....	715	5	352	11-3-1792	Bourbon	S Fk Licking
McGraw, Jno.....	240	5	353	11-3-1792	Bourbon	S Fk Licking
McGraw, Jno.....	45	5	354	11-3-1792	Bourbon	S Fk Licking
McGavock, James.....	1,400	8	327	12-28-1796	Lincoln	S Fk Cumberland R
McGavock, James.....	243	8	328	1-14-1797	Lincoln	Skeggs Cr
McGary, Hugh.....	666 1/2	5	547	12-18-1785	Military	Big Barren R
McGary, Hugh.....	666 1/2	5	548	12-14-1785	Military	Skeggs Cr
McGregor, Alexander.....	387	14	464	7-29-1790	Mason	N Fk Licking
McGregor, Alexander.....	613	14	465	7-29-1790	Mason	N Fk Licking
McGill, Jno.....	416	6	103	3-11-1794	Madison	Paint Lick Cr
McGill, Robt.....	82	11	284	8-13-1798	Nelson	Prices Cr
McGuire, Jno.....	140	1	17	2-7-1783	Lincoln	Dicks R
McGrady, Samuel.....	638	6	203	10-31-1795	Hardin	Rough Cr
McGonnegle, Bartlett.....	84	14	589	9-26-1798	Clark	None
McHan, James.....	500	11	356	2-9-1795	Mercer	Wilsons Cr
McIntire, Jno.....	100	7	229	10-11-1793	Military	Drakes Cr
McIntire, Thos.....	560	11	259	8-10-1798	Hardin	Nolin
McIntire, Jno.....	200	12	43	10-5-1793	Military	Drakes Cr
McIntire, Jno.....	100	12	44	10-5-1793	Military	Drakes Cr
McIntire, Thos, Heirs.....	254	13	430	1-30-1795	Washington	Cartwrights Cr
McIntire, Jno.....	1,000	14	626	8-20-1798	Montgomery	Salt Spring Fk
McIntire, Jno.....	338	16	90	9-12-1798	Fleming	Fleming Cr
McIlhany, Alexander.....	100	4	68	7-3-1793	Military	Whipperville Cr
McImsey, Jno.....	500	6	22	12-25-1786	Nelson	Ashes Cr
McIlwee, Wm.....	50	12	77	9-29-1798	Lincoln	Devils Cr
McJenkins, Wm.....	1,500	3	45	1-19-1789	Bourbon	None
McJenkins, Wm.....	1,500	3	46	1-30-1789	Bourbon	None
McKay, Alexander.....	200	8	391	10-5-1793	Military	Joels Lick Cr
McKay, Alexander.....	250	8	392	3-27-1795	Madison	Muddy Cr
McKay, Alexander & Wife.....	1,000	14	422	11-26-1795	Madison	W Fk Station Camp Cr
McKee, Robt.....	400	5	412	5-15-1784	Lincoln	Ky R
McKee, Wm.....	500	11	382	8-18-1798	Garrard	None
McKee, Wm.....	1,666	12	15	9-24-1798	Military	Cumberland R
McKee, Wm.....	1,000	12	16		Military	Cumberland R
McKee, Samuel.....	182	12	614	11-30-1802	Pulaski	Pittmans Cr
McKenney, Jno.....	750	2	245	3-9-1786	Fayette	Lawrence Cr
McKenney, Stephen.....	110	5	288	4-29-1792	Military	Little Barren R
McKenney, Raney.....	680	10	113	9-1-1791	Military	Little Barren R
McKenney, Stephen, Heirs.....	680	10	113	9-1-1791	Military	Little Barren R
McKenney, David.....	500	16	108	10-29-1792	Bourbon	Ky R
McKnight, Robt.....	127	8	513	10-26-1797	Madison	Paint Lick Cr
McKain, Robt.....	27	15	5	9-20-1798	Lincoln	Hanging Fk
McNabb, Samuel.....	729 1/2	14	359	10-27-1797	Mason	Kennicank Cr
McNeely, Michael.....	100	11	55	11-23-1793	Lincoln	Rolling Fk
McLaughlin, Jno.....	397 1/2	11	20	10-17-1797	Campbell	Licking R
McLaughlin, Robt.....	150	15	533	7-2-1802	Logan	Muddy R
McLaughlin, James H.....	356	16	451	7-14-1805	Christian	None
McLardy, Alexander.....	200	5	173	11-19-1784	Military	11 Mile from Ohio
McLardy, Alexander.....	1,363	15	179	9-22-1798	Lincoln	Lime Camp Cr
McLawene, Elizabeth.....	640	10	11	4-4-1797	Lincoln	Richland Cr
McMahan, James.....	100	15	480	6-4-1802	Logan	Little Whipperville
McMahan, James.....	50	15	481	6-4-1802	Logan	Little Whipperville
McMillen, Samuel.....	8,000	3	6085	6-17-1785	Fayette	Port Lick Cr
McMillan, James.....	500	12	150	8-21-1798	Montgomery	Lulbergreed Cr
McMillan, James.....	500	12	151	8-21-1798	Montgomery	Lulbergreed Cr
McMillen, James.....	600	13	380	7-26-1784	Fayette	Hingtons Fk
McMillen, Saml.....	1442	14	79	9-21-1798	Harrison	S Fk Licking
McMurray, Thos.....	282	3	32	12-21-1791	Lincoln	Dicks R
McMurray, James.....	900	15	537	4-21-1797	Washington	Old Lick Cr
McMurtry, Joseph.....	74	2	10	12-2-1782	Lincoln	Cedar Run
McMurtry, Joseph.....	92	3	109	5-14-1790	Mercer	Ky R
McMonig, Barnett.....	116	14	590	9-26-1798	Clark	Millers Cr
McMichin, Wm.....	200	15	399	1-12-1785	Military	None
McPherson, Jno.....	50	16	471	5-15-1798	Military	Whipperville Cr
McPherson, Jno.....	200	3	638	8-10-1791	Military	Whipperville
McPherson, Jno.....	50	4	207	8-13-1791	Military	Whipperville Cr
McPherson, Jno.....	100	5	207	7-1-1793	Military	3 Sinking Springs
McPherson, Jno.....	100	5	208	8-15-1791	Military	Whipperville Cr
McPherson, Jno.....	100	5	209	8-13-1791	Military	Whipperville Cr
McPherson, Jno.....	100	6	281	5-3-1786	Military	Whipperville Cr
McPherson, Jno.....	100	13	247	7-20-1793	Military	Red R
McPherson, Jno.....	100	13	248	7-20-1793	Military	Red R
McPherson, Jno.....	100	13	250	10-18-1794	Military	Whipperville Cr

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Willard Rouse Jillson

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McPherson, Jno.....	150	15	617		Military	Middle Fk
McPherson, Jno.....	100	15	619		Military	Middle Fk
McPherson, Jno.....	100	16	34	9-20-1795	Military	Fk Red R
McPherson, Jno.....	50	16	36	9-20-1794	Military	Fk Red R
McPherson, Jno.....	100	16	37	9-26-1798	Military	S of Pilot Knob
McPherson, Jno.....	200	16	217	5-15-1792	Military	Middle Fk
McPherson, Jno.....	300	16	218	9-1-1797	Military	Whipperville
McPherson, Jno.....	100	16	290	7-15-1793	Military	Whipperville
McPherson, Jno.....	1,090	16	669	6-26-1797	Military	Cumberland R
McRoberts, Alexander.....	400	7	367	5-19-1788	Nelson	Robertson Cr
McVay, Jno.....	200	7	269	1-10-1786	Nelson	Beech Fk
Nall, Martin.....	2,000	14	286	10-12-1797	Mercer	Rolling Fk
Nall, James.....	100	15	413	4-16-1796	Washington	Beech Fk
Nall, Jno.....	544	15	738	11-21-1797	Washington	Beech Fk
Nall, James.....	20	18	345	3-10-1811	Nelson	Beech Fk
Nancavon, Jno.....	100	11	381	8-15-1798	Military	Nelson
Nailor, Benj.....	150	17	478	10-25-1810	Adair	Pettets Fk
Newton, Peter.....	170 1/2	11	211	9-18-1798	Mercer	Carmichaels Cr
Newton, Wm.....	1,000	11	281	8-26-1798	Hardin	Little Yellow Bank Cr
Newton, Wm.....	200	11	451	6-29-1796	Hardin	Ohio
Newton Academy.....	467	17	53	10-8-1807	Hopkins	Clear Fk
Newton Academy.....	585	17	56	10-6-1807	Hopkins	Clear Fk
Newton Academy.....	553	17	55	10-5-1807	Hopkins	Clear Fk
Newton Academy.....	2,500	17	58	10-10-1807	Hopkins	Thrace Cr
Newton Academy.....	390	17	60	10-14-1807	Hopkins	Bull Cr
Newton Academy.....	200	18	235	3-16-1810	Logan	Muddy R
Newton Academy.....	250	18	466	12-23-1808	Hopkins	Deer Cr
Newport Academy.....	2,100	14	379	11-19-1800	Barren	Skeggs Cr
Newport Academy.....	2,330	14	431	4-20-1801	Barren	Skeggs Cr
Newport Academy.....	170	14	432	5-7-1801	Barren	Skeggs Cr
Newport Academy.....	900	15	307	12-1-1800	Barren	S Fk Little Barren
Newport Academy.....	500	15	308	12-2-1800	Barren	S Fk Little Barren
Neatherland, Benj.....	7,000	3	273	3-25-1785	Fayette	Big Boone Lick
Neatherland, Benj.....	3,000	3	273	11-16-1783	Jefferson	Floyds Fk
Netherland, Benj.....	356	6	361	10-20-1786	Jefferson	Floyds Fk
Netherland, Benj.....	250	12	119	8-3-1798	Fayette	Cain Cr
Netherland, Benj.....	250	12	120	8-3-1798	Fayette	Cain Cr
Netherland, Benj.....	1,500	19	349	8-18-1798	Nelson	Beech Fk
Neal, Joseph.....	1,000	3	116	8-7-1792	Jefferson	Salt R
Neal, Ben.....	1,000	3	117	8-6-1792	Jefferson	Salt R
Neal, Joseph.....	500	7	296	11-29-1796	Shelby	Floyds Fk
Neale, Daniel.....	500	8	103	12-9-1794	Scott	None
Neale, Daniel.....	500	8	104	12-9-1794	Scott	Raven Cr
Neal, Moses.....	29	11	25	9-6-1798	Mercer	Salt R
Neal, Benj.....	1,000	12	254	10-12-1797	Mason	N Fk Paint Lick Cr
Neill, Phebe.....	1,000	16	347	5-3-1799	Franklin	Clear & Jesse Crs
Nevill, John.....	1,000	1	95	10-14-1783	Jefferson	Clear & Jesse Crs
Nevill, Presley.....	1,400	5	365	1-20-1785	Military	Drowning Cr
Nevill, James.....	400	13	374	7-11-1798	Madison	None
Nevill, James.....	400	13	376	7-11-1798	Madison	None
Newell, James.....	1,000	20	168	10-26-1794	Military	Ohio
Neth, Lewis.....	896	14	288	9-17-1798	Mason	Cabbin Cr
Neth, Lewis.....	896	14	289	9-17-1798	Mason	Cabbin Cr
Neth, Lewis.....	896	14	290	9-7-1785	Mason	Ohio
New Athens Academy.....	800	16	702	10-10-1807	Barren	E Fk Big Barren R
New Athens Academy.....	1,660	16	711	10-5-1807	Barren	None
New Athens Academy.....	523	16	712	9-10-1807	Barren	None
New Athens Academy.....	200	16	714	10-12-1807	Barren	None
New Athens Academy.....	317	16	715	10-7-1807	Barren	None
Newathen Seminary.....	100	19	54	6-22-1814	Caldwell	Kelleys Cr
Newly, Thos.....	100	11	235	3-4-1787	Military	None
Newly, Jno.....	100	14	364	3-2-1787	Military	None
Nevelt, Joseph.....	234	15	450	5-14-1798	Nelson	Rolling Fk
Nevit, Jane.....	636	19	159	1-19-1786	Nelson	Rolling Fk
Nevell, James.....	1,000	5	523	12-17-1785	Nelson	Rolling Fk
Nicholas, Geo.....	800	8	519	4-19-1797	Franklin	Eagle Cr
Nelson, Jno.....	1,860	12	468	11-24-1797	Military	Drakes Cr
Neblock, Jno.....	122	13	123	9-15-1798	Fayette	Boones Cr
Nevil, James.....	226	16	57	8-13-1785	Lincoln	Dicks R
Neithenat, Wm.....	25	18	365	9-26-1814	Knox	Poor Fk
Nicholas, Geo.....	6,062	6	298	5-10-1785	Fayette	Licking
Nicholas, Geo.....	6,000	7	159	2-7-1788	Military	Muddy R
Nicholas, Geo.....	9,531	7	265	8-15-1796	Bourbon	Slate R
Nicholas, Geo.....	5,000	7	289	11-10-1789	Bourbon	Licking R
Nicholas, Geo.....	5,000	7	290	11-10-1789	Bourbon	Licking
Nicholas, Geo.....	2,908	7	384	10-17-1792	Bourbon	Slate Cr

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28	6173	" " " "	555	Hopkins	Clear Fk. Tradewater R.	10- 5-1807	9 137	Same & Heirs	9- 9-1809	17 55- 56
28	6174	" " " "	588	Hopkins	Clear Fk. Tradewater R.	10- 6-1807	9 138	Same & Heirs	9- 9-1809	17 56- 57
28	6175	" " " "	390	Hopkins	Bull Cr.	10-14-1807	9 138	Same & Heirs	9- 9-1809	17 60- 61
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28	6177	" " " "	85	Hopkins	Richland Cr.	2-22-1809	9 140	John Brown & Heirs	9-11-1809	17 61- 62
28	6178	" " " "	750	Henderson	Clear Fk. Tradewater	9-20-1806	9 141	John Brown & Heirs	9-11-1809	17 62- 64
29	6419	" " " "	140	Logan	Muddy R.	2- 8-1811	9 316	James Hunter & Samuel H. Curd & Their Heirs	9-30-1811	17 457-458
31	6719	" " " "	200	Logan	Muddy R.	3-16-1810	9 1- 2	Same & Heirs	9- 7-1814	18 235-236
31	6918	" " " "	250	Hopkins	Dear Cr.	12-23-1808	10 145	Same & Heirs	10-16-1815	18 466-467
16	3725	Niblock, John	122	Fayette	Boone Cr.	9-15-1798	5 548	Same & Heirs	7-19-1799	13 123
21	4756	" " " "	55	Fayette	Bogg Fk.	11-10-1797	7 74	John McCall & Heirs	10-24-1800	15 187-188



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Enter Veteran Name:

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Enter Warrant Number:

Our database indexes 4,748 Virginia Revolutionary Warrants. There are 121 duplicate numbers, therefore our warrants range in number from one to 4,627. Contact the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus for Virginia warrants with higher numbers than 4,627. To search by warrant number, key the entire four-digit number. Example: Warrant #1 must be keyed as 0001. Information for two military warrants may appear if the number was duplicated by the land office. Simply select the number that corresponds to the veteran's name you are searching.

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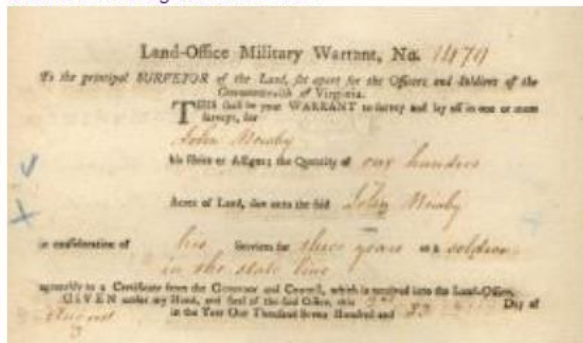
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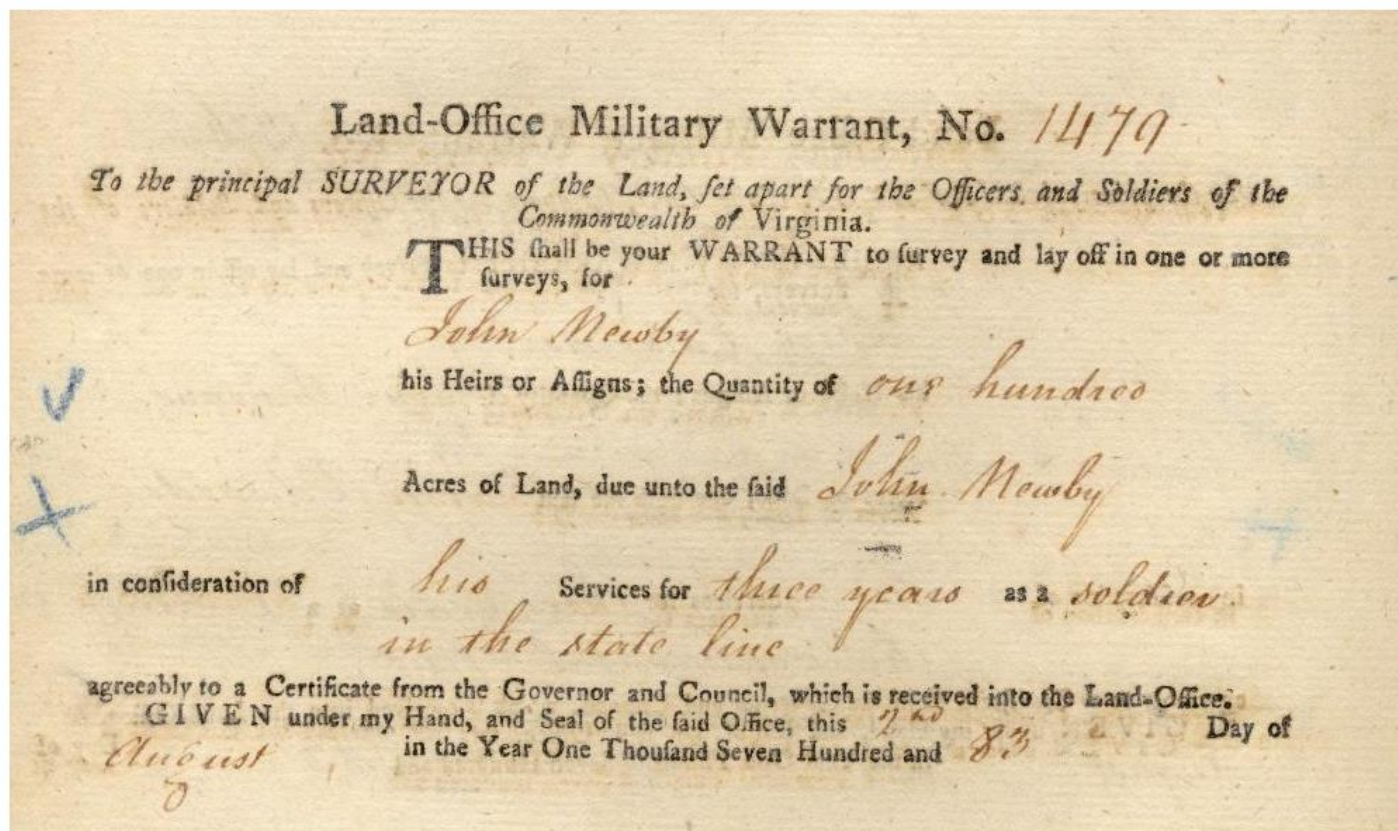
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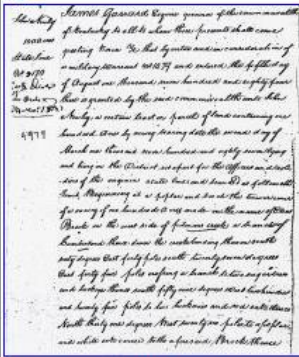
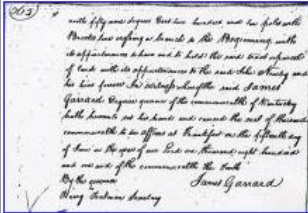
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Land Office Military WARRANT, No. 1479

To the principal SURVEYOR of the Lands set apart for the Officers and Soldiers of the Commonwealth of VIRGINIA.



THIS shall be your WARRANT to survey and lay off in one or more Surveys, for *John Newby*

his Heirs or Assigns, the Quantity of *One Hundred*

Acres of Land, due unto the said *John Newby*


In consideration of his services for

Three

years as a

Soldier

in the Virginia State Line.

agreeable to a Certificate from the Governour and Council recived into the Land Office. GIVEN under my Hand, and the Seal  the said Office, this *27* Day of *August* in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and *83*


John Hawick R. S. Off

John Steloby
100 Acres
Ac. 10 Dec 1800
Jf. 15 June 1801
No. 4979

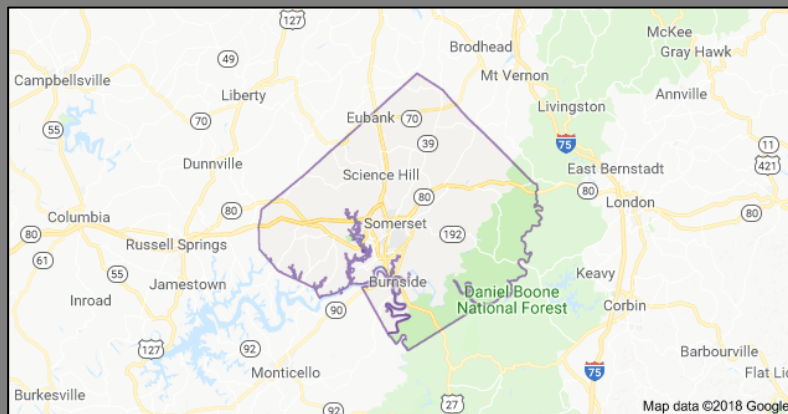
Surveyed for John Newby 100 Acres of land
by virtue of an entry in military warrant
No. 1479. Beginning at a poplar & beech the
lower corner of a survey of 100 Acres made
in the name of Elias Brock on the west side of
Pittman's Creek, a branch of Cumberland thence down
the Creek binding thereon S. 60 E. 40 p. S. 27 E. 45 poles,
Crossing a branch to two sugar trees and buckeyes,
thence S. 59 West 225 poles to two hickories and red
oaks, thence N. 31 W. 76 poles to a poplar and white
oak, come to the aforesaid Brock, thence North
59 E. 210 poles with Brock's line Crossing a branch
to the Beginning March 2^d 1787

James Connely } CC
George Hoad }
Robt. Connely M^r

Robt. Todd (no) DS
G. R. Clarke,



Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. At a Circuit Court held for the County of Pulaski & State of Kentucky and on the 16th day thereof 1833 personally appeared before the Court aforesaid John Newby a resident of the United States in the County of Pulaski and State of Kentucky aged 74 years having been born in February 1759, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of an act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he enlisted as a Soldier on the 16 of August 1777 in the Army of the United States, with Thomas Clay & served in the Second State Regiment of artillery under the following named officers (viz.) Henry Quarles Captain Thomas Marshall Junior Lieutenant James Lipscomb 2nd Lieutenant under the command of Colonel Thomas Marshall Senior and was discharged by John Mazratt [John Mazaret or Mazarett] Major in Richmond Virginia on the 21st of August 1780 which discharge was filed with the proper office at Richmond to obtain a Warrant by which he could procure bounty land of 100 acres and which land he thereby obtained and is now living on the said land which was patented to him by the Commonwealth of Kentucky on the 15th of June 1801 and that is the reason that the said John Newby cannot procure the discharge. He knows of no person by which he can establish his services living and within his reach to procure the testimony of, that he resided in Chesterfield County Virginia when he entered the Service and marched to Williamsburg the place of rendezvous thence to little York thence to Hampton thence back to little York where he was stationed more than 2 years, thence to Williamsburg from thence through Virginia to North Carolina then to South Carolina & thence back to Richmond and there was discharged during his service Colonel Thomas Marshall was appointed Surveyor General as he understood of the Waste lands [??]¹ belonging to Virginia and Elias Edmunds commanded the Regiment after Marshall's appointment, John Mazratt was Major and the Colonel being absent the Major gave the Discharge as before stated. Thomas Clay was Captain and James Lipscomb was Lieutenant. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State and if it is he has no knowledge of it. Sworn to and subscribed in Open Court this 24th of October 1833.
S/ John Newby



John Newby

[Wesley Carson, a clergyman, and John Jasper & Tunstal Quarls gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Facts in file: veteran died December 18, 1852. There is no family data in this file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private of artillery for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

John Newby A soldier in Colonel Marshals Regiment of Artillery having faithfully served three years the term of his Inlistment is hereby discharged from the said Regiment. Given under my hand this 22nd day of August 1780

By order of Lieutenant Colonel Edmonds
S/ John Mazaret Majr.

Copy
J. Pendleton, Jr.

*I do here by Trans for and Assigne over
all my right title claim and interest of and to
the Land mentioned in the within Patent
& Certificate of Survey to John W. Newby
for value Rec^d of him and I do here by Request
and direct the Register of the Land office of
Kentucky to issue the Patent of the within
mentioned land to John W. Newby
given under my Hand and Seal this 19th
day of February 1823*
Attest
James H. Hays
John W. Newby

Assignment by John Newby to John W. Newby recorded on the back of a survey of 3 acres in Pulaski County. Filed as Patent No. 7491 in the Kentucky Land Warrant Patent Series.

QUICK GUIDE: KENTUCKY LAND PATENT SERIES

- The patent series indicates what types of warrants were used to authorize surveys. Each series is based on time period and land location. The nine major groupings are as follows:
- **Virginia Series** (Grants issued prior to 1792) -- 9,441 surveys
- **Old Kentucky Series** (Grants issued from 1792-1815) -- 7,668 surveys
- Patents in the Virginia and Old Kentucky Series were authorized by French and Indian War Warrants, Treasury Warrants, Importation Warrants, Acts for the Relief of Certain Poor Persons, Acts for the Establishment of Academies and Seminaries, Warrants for Finding Salt, Warrants for Clearing Roads, Certificates of Settlement, and Preemption Warrants.
- **South of Green River Series** (Grants from 1795 forward) -- 16,664 surveys
- This series opened the Military District to settlement by non-veterans. County commissioners approved the issuance of warrants/certificates to residents purchasing no more than 400 acres of unappropriated land. Applicants had to meet age and residency requirements and they had to have occupied the land one year prior to application. An improvement, such as a cabin or a crop, was also required. The original 1795 Act of the General Assembly required the applicants to be 21 years of age or older. The minimum age was lowered in 1798 to 18. Due to errors in patent series assignments, a number of patents in the South of Green River Series are located outside the region. Some are as far north as Pendleton County.
- **Tellico Series** (Grants in southeast Kentucky) -- 590 surveys
- This area was purchased from the Cherokee Indians in 1805. Under the Act of 1810, settlers meeting the six-month residency requirement could patent up to 200 acres of land by paying \$40 per 100 acres. Due to errors in patent series assignments, a number of patents in the Tellico Series fall out of the Tellico Region.
- **Kentucky Land Warrant Series** (Grants from 1815 forward) -- 26,080 surveys
- These warrants were purchased or issued by the Kentucky Land Office. Many were authorized by the General Assembly for the development of Kentucky's infrastructure, i.e., proceeds from warrant sales were used to build roads.
- **South of Walker's Line Series** (Grants from 1820 forward) -- 4,327 surveys
- These patents are located in northern Tennessee. They generally run to the 36 degrees 30 minute parallel or the baseline of the Jackson Purchase. The Kentucky Land Office has patent records for the following Tennessee counties: Sumner, Smith, Robertson, Macon, Montgomery, Stewart, Jackson, Claiborne, Clay, Fentress, Pickett, Scott and Campbell.
- **West of Tennessee River Military Series** -- (Grants from 1821 to 1828) -- 242 surveys
- This area was purchased from the Chickasaw Indians in 1818. A number of Revolutionary War soldiers occupied the land, known later as the Jackson Purchase, without having clear title. In 1820, the Kentucky General Assembly advised the veterans to immediately file for patents.
- **West of Tennessee River Non-Military Series** (Grants from 1822 to 1900) -- 9,308 surveys
- While the Revolutionary War veterans were patenting their land, the Jackson Purchase was being mapped in ranges, townships and sections by William Henderson. In 1821, the General Assembly authorized the auctioning of "odd sections" in the West of Tennessee River area. Sales would be held in Princeton. Upon presentation of a receipt, the Register issued a certificate authorizing the grant. In 1825, public sales were authorized in Wadsborough in Calloway county. The state set a minimum price per acre for the land sales. By 1835, that price had been reduced to 12.5 cents per acre.
- **County Court Order Series** (Grants from 1835 to present date) -- 70,238 surveys.
- In 1835, the General Assembly granted county courts the right to issue warrants authorizing surveys. Fees are set locally, however, the law requires a minimum of \$5 per 100 acres of unappropriated land. The County Court Order Patent Series is codified in Chapter 56 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

KENTUCKY LAND PATENTS

What is online?

(Secretary of State's Land Office Website)

- Virginia & Old Kentucky Series
 - Patents authorized by: French & Indian War Warrants; Lord Dunmore Warrants; Revolutionary War Warrants; Certificates of Settlement & Preemption Warrants; Treasury Warrants, etc.
- West of Tennessee River Military Series
- West of Tennessee River Non-Military Series
- Jackson Purchase Locator
- County Court Order Series Database *(over 8200 patents link to scanned images)*

KENTUCKY LAND PATENTS

What is not online?

(Secretary of State's Land Office Website)

- South of Green River Patent Series
- Kentucky Land Warrants Patent Series
- Tellico Patent Series
- South of Walker's Line Patent Series

(Note: Tennessee Land)

- Fayette County, Virginia, Entry Books
 - Jefferson County, Virginia, Entry Books
- (Note: These books include Kentucky County, Virginia, Entries.)*
- Entry Books for the Military District

Tax Lists Identify
Land Patent History
&
Family Information



Date given 1805	Persons name chargeable with the Tax	Acres of Land			County in which the Land lies	Water course on which the Land lies	in whose name Entered	in whose name	Tax	White Males Above 21.	White Males above 16 Under 21.	Black Above 16	Total Black	Horses	Mares & Ys	Swine	Cattle & Horses	Horses
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" 15	Baldwin Lemuel	54				ditto	Harrods Cr.	J. J.	J. J.	J. J.					4			
"	" Boyer Phillip		100		100	Jefferson	J. J.	Sam. & Beale	Sam. Beale	Sam. Beale								
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"	" Buchanan Robert																	
" 18	Bell Josiah																	
"	" Bell John Sen.	140				Clark	Licking	Adam Broyles	A. Broyles	A. Broyles		4	5	4				
" 19	Bullitt Thomas																	
"	" Bullitt, L. C. & Thos.														4			
" 20	Barbour Richard	250				Jefferson	Harrods Creek	John Tenant	John Tenant	John Tenant		7	15	7				
"	" Brankham Charles																	
"	" Breckenridge Robert	560				Jefferson	Beauregard	John Floyd	John Floyd	A. Floyd & Co.		10	18	19				
"	" J. J.	350				ditto	Harrods Cr.	R. Breckenridge	R. Breckenridge	R. Breckenridge								
"	" J. J.	195				ditto	Pond Creek	J. J.	J. J.	J. J.								
"	" J. J.	2500				ditto	Floyd Fork	Pallard Smith	P. Smith	P. Smith								
"	" J. J.	1190				Gallatin	Ohio	James Breckenridge	J. Breckenridge	J. Breckenridge								
"	" J. J.	1000				Livingston	Cumbarland	R. Breckenridge	R. Breckenridge	R. Breckenridge								
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"	" J. J.	915				ditto	ditto	W. Daniel	John Drake	John Drake								
"	" J. J.	2500				ditto	Harrods Cr.	J. Breckenridge	James Breckenridge	John Drake								
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Persons Names Charged with tax	No. 1	q 2	acres 3	County in which the land lies	status on which the land lies	In whose Name Entered	In whose Name Surrendered	In whose Name Surrendered	Acres in 1851	Acres in 1852	Acres in 1853	Acres in 1854	Acres in 1855	Acres in 1856	Acres in 1857	Acres in 1858	Acres in 1859	Acres in 1860
M Meek Hazel	200	Pulaski	White Oak	same	same		1									
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Do Same	30	Do	Do	Abner McWhorter	same											
Do Modrell Robert	200	Do	pitmans	same	same		1		1	6						22
Mease Thomas	100	Do	Do		Harisford		1	1		3						
Same	100	Do	Do													
Moore Arthur	200	Do	Do	same	same		1	2	3	4						
Same	200	Do	Do	Lynn Harder												
McKum Harold	100	Do	Do	same			1									
Mayfield William Jr				Embold			1									
Moose Alexander							1									
Modrell Robert Jr	259	Do	Do				1			4						
McWhorter George Jr							1			2						
Mc Col Lester David							1									
McWhorter John	100	Do	Shirley Cr	Abner Whorter	same		1									
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Same	160	Do	Do	same	same											
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Mc Col Lester John	100	Do	Do				1	1		2						
McPheltt James	200	Do	White Oak	same	same		1			4						
Same	200	Do	Shirley Cr	same	same											
Newby John	100	Do	pitmans	same	same	same	1	1		1						
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Same	100	Do	Do	Mc Newby	same	same										
Neal Samuel	200	Do	Do	same	same		1	1		2						

1805 Pulaski Co., Ky. Tax Lists

RESEARCHING TAX LISTS

- Tax Lists are available on microfilm at the Kentucky History Center, KDLA, and LDS Libraries. (We have found different repositories may have different information.) Some county tax lists include tithable reports prior to 1792.
- County tax lists from 1795 to the mid-1830's, may provide critical information regarding original land patent recipients.
- Tax lists should span from the year of county formation through the mid-1880's.
- Study Acts of the General Assembly to determine tax laws.
- Women, Free Blacks (40 years before the Civil War), & Pensioners are included on Tax Lists; occasionally they are listed as exempt.
- Tax Lists may include two or three districts.
- The "Company" header identifies the name of the Captain of the Militia Company receiving the taxes.
- Minors, if they are the head of the household, are included on tax lists.
- Tax Lists are no longer available from KDLA for duplication.
- Tax Lists may be viewed on the Family Search website hosted by the Church of Latter Day Saints.
- Tax Lists may serve as an "Annual Census"—"hiding from the tax man" had severe penalties.

HEADERS: 1830 Tax Lists

- Persons Names Chargeable with Tax
- Land: 1st Rate, 2nd Rate, or 3rd Rate
- County in which Land lies
- Watercourse
- In whose name(s) the land was entered, surveyed, & patented (This information is included from 1795 through the mid-1830's.)
- White Males over 21 years
- Blacks over 16 & Total Blacks
- Horses; Mares; Mules & Jennies; Stud Horses & Jacks; & Rates of covering per season
- Wholesale & Retail Stores; Tavern Licenses
- Billiard Tables; Wheel Carriages; Value of Land per Acre
- Total Value, except Stud Horses, Jacks, & Billiard Tables

HEADERS: 1875 Tax Lists

- Full names of Taxpayers
- Land, each tract in Acres
- Name of Nearest Resident
- Election Precinct No.; Value of Lands
- Town Lots, Town or City, No. of Lots on Town Plat, Value of Town Lots
- Horses & Mares; Mules, Jennets, Cattle (\$50 Deduction); and their Value
- Stores, Pleasure Carriages, Buggies, Stage Coaches, Barouches, Gigs, Omnibuses & other Passenger Vehicles; Value of Gold, Silver & other Metallic Watches & Clocks, Gold & Silver Plate, and Pianos; Total at \$.45 per \$100.
- White Males over 21; Legal Voters; Enrolled Militia; Children between 6 & 20 years old
- Hogs over 6 months old; Studs, Jacks & Bulls; Rates per Season
- Tavern Licenses; No. of Dogs over two; No. of Sheep killed by Dogs; Value of Sheep killed by Dogs
- White persons that are blind & post office; White persons that are deaf and dumb & post office
- Pounds of Tobacco; Pounds of Hemp; Tons of Hay; Bushels of Corn; Bushels of Wheat; Bushels of Barley; Tons of Pig Metal (iron); Tons of Bloom (wrought iron); Tons of Bar Iron.



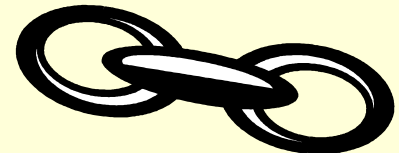
Other Kentucky Land Records

- **DEEDS:** Transactions after land is patented.

Filed on the county level with the county clerk. May also be researched by contacting the Kentucky Department for Libraries & Archives, Frankfort.

There is no central registration of Deeds in Kentucky.
Remember county formation dates!

Establish a “chain-of-title” by starting with present owners then working backward through county records to identify past owners (the next links in the chain). Ultimately most deeds refer to the initial patent.



TYPES OF DEEDS

- **Commissioners' Deeds**

Land sales conducted by the Master Commissioner for delinquent taxes, mortgage forfeitures, etc. May be indexed in a separate book by the county clerk. If recorded with the Deeds, may be listed as "Commissioner" in the Grantor Index rather than the property owner's name.

- **Processioners' Deeds**

Processioners are appointed by the court to divide lands involved in an estate settlement or property dispute. These deeds often include plat drawings of the divided property and their designated owners. Deeds may be recorded in the county clerk's office with other county deeds or may be included in separate volumes. These deeds may also be part of the final estate settlement papers filed with the circuit court clerk.

- **WILLS: BEQUEATH PROPERTY**

In some instances you will find property transferred in Kentucky by Will rather than by Deed. Wills often include plat drawings of divided property including names of designated owners. Wills are filed on the county level with the county clerk. Early estate settlements may be found with the county clerk; for more recent settlements, contact the circuit court clerk.

- **LAND PATENTS**

If a land patent hasn't been sold, the wording on the Grant conveys the patent to the patentee's heirs. In many instances that conveyance is not recorded with the county clerk. It is important for the heir(s) to register their land ownership with the Property Valuation Administrator for taxation purposes.

(Note: Transfers of patents between individuals often result in an assignment on the Grant and the transfer isn't recorded with the county clerk. Again, registration for tax purposes may be the only indication there is a new owner for the tract.)

QUICK GUIDE: KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER

- The federal government does not issue land patents in Kentucky. Kentucky patents are authorized by Acts of the Virginia General Assembly (prior to 1792) or the Kentucky General Assembly.
- Warrants do not identify a certain tract or location.
- Neither warrants nor surveys convey title. Every step in the patent process must be followed. The Governor's Grant finalizes the patenting transaction.
- Military grants comprise a small portion of Kentucky land patents. Most patents were authorized by purchasing treasury, state, or county warrants/certificates.
- The only military warrants honored in Kentucky were for service in the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War.
- Kentucky did not honor warrants for service in the War of 1812, the Mexican War, or subsequent conflicts. Those warrants had to be used in federal public domain states, such as Missouri or Illinois. (This partially explains the move westward by some Kentucky veterans or assignees; they had to relocate to a state that honored federal bounty land warrants.) Contact the Central Reference Division, National Archives, Pennsylvania Avenue, 8th St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20408 for information regarding military service, federal bounty land, and pension applications.



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Kentucky history fascinates and intrigues researchers around the world. The resources on this website provide everything from background information on Kentucky's history to research aids to links to groups and events that will allow you to further your research.

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[Glossary](#) - defines more than 100 terms associated with land patenting.

[Legislation](#) - complete text of Acts of the Virginia and Kentucky General Assemblies regarding the various land patent series.

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Indian Allot. #:

Tribe: ----- Any Tribe -----

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Military Rank: ---

Miscellaneous Information

Land Office:	Danville
US Reservations:	No
Mineral Reservations:	No
Tribe:	---
Militia:	---
State In Favor Of:	---
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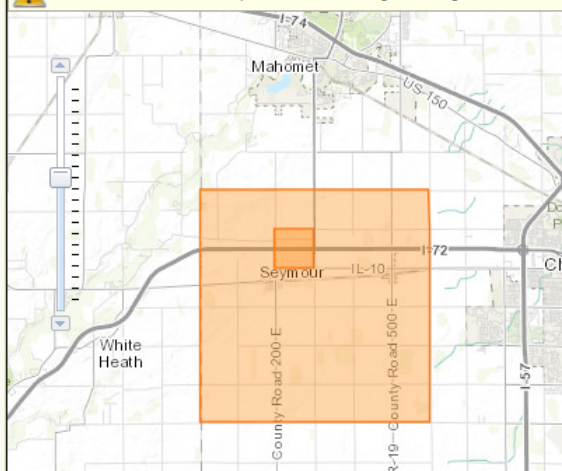
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The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS, IN PURSUANCE OF THE ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED SEPTEMBER 28, 1850, ENTITLED "AN ACT GRANTING BOUNTY LAND TO CERTAIN OFFICERS AND SOLDIERS WHO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN THE MILITARY SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES," WARRANT NO. 26872, FOR 80 ACRES, ISSUED IN FAVOR OF "ORSON TRIBBLE, PRIVATE IN CAPT. SIMPSON'S COMPANY, KENTUCKY MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS, WAR 1812," HAVING BEEN DULY ASSIGNED TO MARY E. HARRIS, HAS BEEN RETURNED TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, WITH EVIDENCE THAT THE SAME HAS BEEN DULY LOCATED UPON THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION NINE IN TOWNSHIP NINETEEN NORTH OF RANGE SEVEN EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ILLINOIS, CONTAINING EIGHTY ACRES, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF THE SURVEY OF THE SAID LAND, RETURNED TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE BY THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL:

NOW KNOW YE, THAT THERE IS, THEREFORE, GRANTED BY THE UNITED STATES, UNTO THE SAID MARY E. HARRIS, THE TRACT OF LAND ABOVE DESCRIBED; TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAID TRACT OF LAND, WITH THE APPURTENANCES THEREOF, UNTO THE SAID MARY E. HARRIS, AND TO HER HEIRS AND ASSIGNS FOREVER.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, WILLIAM H. TAFT

President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the City of Washington, the FOURTH

(SEAL)

day of DECEMBER in the year of our Lord one thousand

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United States the one hundred and THIRTY-SIXTH

By the President:

By *

Wm. H. Taft
H. O. LeMay Secretary,

Starkey
Recorder of the General Land Office.

RECORD OF PATENTS: Patent Number...

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- The Secretary of State's Office is the repository for over 100,000 patent files containing warrants, surveys, and grants. Researchers do not have to travel to Virginia to research Kentucky land patents prior to 1792. Those records were sent to Frankfort shortly after Kentucky became a state.
- Kentucky county formation must be considered when researching any facet of Kentucky history.
- There is no central registration of deeds in Kentucky. Deeds are filed on the county level with the county clerk along with wills and marriages. Courthouse disasters, such as fires or thievery, are just that -- disasters. Records not previously microfilmed or removed for preservation are lost. Check the Grantor AND Grantee indices; some conveyances may be recorded in one book but not the other. Research proceSSIONERS' books and court judgments for division of disputed or inherited land.
- Be creative when researching land patents and all land records! Names were spelled phonetically in many instances. Tax Lists may be indexed by given name rather than surname!

- Patents were issued to women as early as the 1700s. In some instances, they were heirs finishing patents initiated by their husband or a family member. In 1820, the Kentucky General Assembly allowed poor widows to patent up to 100 acres of land without fee payment.
- African-Americans patented land in Kentucky prior to the Civil War.
- Land Office holdings are limited to land patents only. Although applications listing parents, family history, etc., were not required, there are instances in which wills, or other affidavits of descent, are part of the patent file.
- Not all Kentucky Patent Series are online. Contact the Kentucky Land Office for access to original patent files. The Kentucky History Center Library has printback books of Land Office Surveys and Grants. (These are ideal for researching an area rather than a family.) Microfilm reels of all original Warrants, Entries, Surveys, and Land Office copies of Grants are available at the Kentucky History Center.
- The Kentucky Department for Libraries & Archives is the state repository for county records, such as Wills and Deeds.

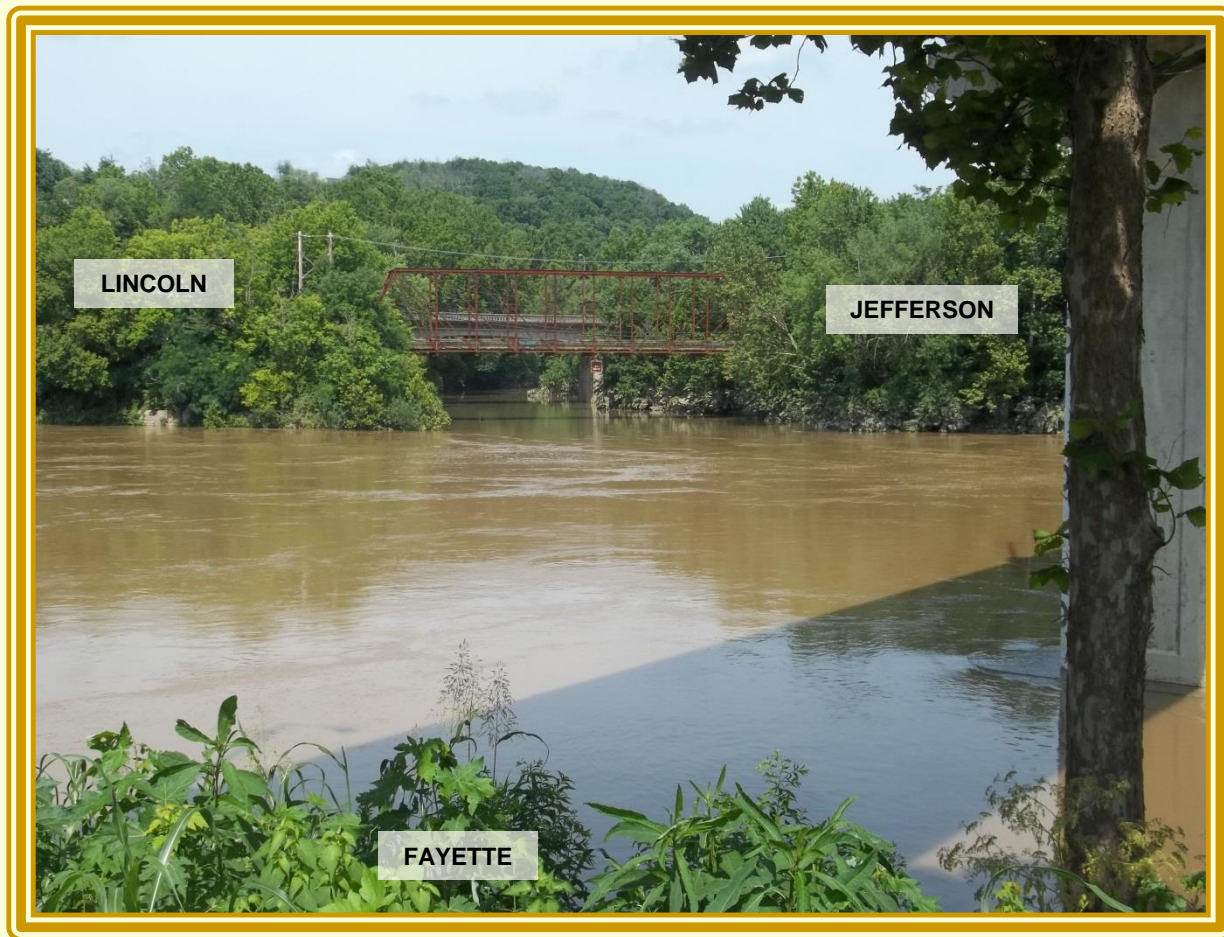
OTHER RESOURCES

- Court cases can provide valuable information if an area has been litigated. Case files may include deed references, affidavits, maps, & court decisions.
 - Circuit Court Records may be available locally or at the Kentucky Department for Libraries & Archives, 300 Coffee Tree Road, Frankfort, KY 40601 (502-564-8300).
 - Contact the State Law Library, Capitol Building, Frankfort, KY 40601 (502-564-4187) for cases decided by the Kentucky Court of Appeals, Kentucky Supreme Court, & courts of higher jurisdiction.
- District or Regional Mining Offices: Maps, Deeds, & Leases
- U.S. Forest Service: Maps, Deeds & Leases
- Department for Natural Resources, Mine Permits (502-564-2320)
- Department of Revenue, Division of Minerals Taxation & GIS Services (502-564-5977)

BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS

- “Kentucky Land Grants” by Willard Rouse Jillson lists grant recipients for all patent series with the exception of the West of Tennessee River Military Patents.
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- “Stockading Up” by Nancy O’Malley, Dept. of Anthropology, UK, is a compilation of patent maps, history and genealogy regarding early settlers and stations in central Kentucky.
- “Early Kentucky Land Records” by Neal Hammon lists Fincastle and Kentucky County Entries, Commissioners’ Records, and Military Surveys.
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- “Revolutionary Soldiers in Kentucky,” Anderson C. Quisenberry, Clearfield Company, Inc., (2003), ISBN 0-8063-0283-6
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The Juncture of Kentucky's Original Three Counties

“Where Benson Creek flows into the Kentucky River”

Franklin County, formed in 1795, is the daughter of Mercer County (daughter of Lincoln County), Shelby County (daughter of Jefferson County), and Woodford County (daughter of Fayette County).

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