John Catlett — Kentucky Land Grant — Patent No. 6751 (Military Warrant No. 1198)

2,000 Acres on the Waters of the North Fork of Tradewater (Virginia Military Survey No. 168, Virginia Patent, 1789)

Heir at law of Thomas Catlett, deceased, Captain, Virginia Continental Line

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Abstract

On 26 June 1783 the Virginia Land Office issued Military Warrant No. 1198 to John Catlett, heir at law of Thomas Catlett, deceased, for 4,000 acres due for Thomas Catlett's services for three years as a captain in the Virginia Continental line. On 10 May 1785 John O'Bannon, deputy surveyor, surveyed 2,000 acres of it for John Catlett as survey No. 168, on the waters of the North Fork of Trade Water, with Dennis Cane and Dan[ie]l Matheney as chain carriers and Wm. Carney as marker. The tract, 800 by 400 poles on 45-degree bearings, begins at an ash, hickory and two elms on a small branch, the east corner of Thomas Christie's survey No. 315, made the same day by the same crew. Richard C. Anderson certified that he held the warrant and signed the survey "Examined Recorded" on 14 June 1785. The survey was received on 2[5?] January 1789 and recorded on page 147, and on 11 December 1789 Beverley Randolph, Governor of Virginia, signed the patent to John Catlett, heir at law to Thomas Catlett, at Richmond.

Survey Description

Metes and bounds as written in the survey and confirmed against the patent. All distances are in poles.

Surveyed for John Catlett, heir, 2,000 acres of land, part of a military warrant No. 1198, on the waters of the North Fork of Trade Water. Beginning at an ash, hickory and two elms on a small branch, East corner of Thomas Christie's survey No. 315; running N[orth] 45 E[ast] 800 poles, crossing a branch at 130, one at 300 and one at 498 poles, to two white oaks and a hickory; thence N[orth] 45 W[est] 400 poles, crossing a branch at 2[9?]5 [patent: 295] and one at 395 poles, to a hickory, gum and dogwood; thence S[outh] 45 W[est] 800 poles, crossing a creek at 680 poles, to two white oaks and a dogwood; thence S[outh] 45 E[ast] 400 poles to the beg[innin]g. Dennis Cane, Dan[ie]l Matheney, C.C.; Wm. Carney, M[arker]. John O'Bannon, D.S., May 10th 1785. Richard C. Anderson. (An 800-by-400-pole rectangle; the courses close exactly.)

Record Summary

Survey Number	6751 (Kentucky survey number; No. 168 on the plat)
Warrant	Land-Office Military Warrant No. 1198, 26 June 1783 (Virginia), 4,000 acres
Original Warrantee	John Catlett, heir at law of Thomas Catlett, deceased, for Thomas Catlett's three years' service as a captain in the Virginia Continental line
Patentee	John Catlett, heir at law to Thomas Catlett
Acreage	2,000 acres (800 by 400 poles), part of the warrant
Watercourse	Waters of the North Fork of Tradewater
County	None named in the survey or patent
Survey Date	10 May 1785; examined and recorded 14 June 1785 (Richard C. Anderson)
Survey Received	2[5?] January 1789; recorded page 147
Patent Issued	11 December 1789, Beverley Randolph, Governor of Virginia, at Richmond; Grant Book 12, page 353
Surveyor and Crew	John O'Bannon, D.S.; Richard C. Anderson, principal surveyor; Dennis Cane and Dan[ie]l Matheney, chain carriers; Wm. Carney, marker
Adjoining	Thomas Christie's survey No. 315 (KLG 1120), south-west; Charles Scott Jr.'s No. 330 (KLG 5376), along the south-east side

Chronology

26 June 1783	Land-Office Military Warrant No. 1198 issued to John Catlett, heir at law of Thomas Catlett, deceased, for 4,000 acres

10 May 1785	2,000 acres (No. 168) surveyed for John Catlett by John O'Bannon, D.S.; the same crew surveyed Christie's No. 315 the same day
14 June 1785	Survey examined and recorded by Richard C. Anderson, who certified that he held the warrant
2[5?] January 1789	Survey received; recorded page 147
11 December 1789	Patent issued to John Catlett, heir at law to Thomas Catlett, by Beverley Randolph, Governor of Virginia, at Richmond

Persons Named in the Record

John Catlett	Warrantee and patentee; heir at law of Thomas Catlett
Thomas Catlett	Deceased; captain, Virginia Continental line, three years' service; the warrant was issued for his service
Thomas Christie	Adjoining owner (survey No. 315)
John O'Bannon	Deputy surveyor
Richard C. Anderson	Principal surveyor; examined and recorded the survey
Dennis Cane	Chain carrier
Dan[ie]l Matheney	Chain carrier
Wm. Carney	Marker
Beverley Randolph	Governor of Virginia; signed the patent

Land Description

2,000 acres on the waters of the North Fork of Tradewater: a rectangle of 800 by 400 poles on 45-degree bearings, beginning at the east corner of Thomas Christie's survey No. 315 and running north-east along the north-west side of Charles Scott Jr.'s survey No. 330. Its west corner, two white oaks and a dogwood, is Christie's north corner.

Research Notes

The survey number. This record is Kentucky survey No. 6751 (the docket, the patent margin and the archival stamps). The plat is numbered "No. 168," the number Charles Scott Jr.'s survey No. 330 cites for "John Catlett's survey No. 168." Warrant No. 1198 is the military warrant; this survey uses 2,000 of its 4,000 acres. The survey sheet carries the modern stamp "WARRANT NOT LOCATED," although the warrant is among these images.

Where it lies. The survey begins at Thomas Christie's east corner, an ash, hickory and two elms on a small branch, and runs north-east 800 poles; its closing course runs south 45 east 400 poles from two white oaks and a dogwood, the same trees Christie names as his north corner, 400 poles north-west of his east corner. So Catlett's south-west side is Christie's whole north-east side, and Catlett lies directly north-east of Christie. Christie's survey does not name Catlett at that corner, so the shared west corner is a match of trees, course and distance rather than a corner named in both records.

Scott's line. Charles Scott Jr.'s No. 330 runs north-west 400 poles to "two white oaks and an ash in the line of John Catlett's survey No. 168," then "with Catlett's and Christie's line" south-west 667 poles, crossing branches at 107 and 160 poles. Christie's east corner falls at 107 poles, so Scott's north corner stands 107 poles north-east of Christie's east corner on Catlett's south-east side, and Scott runs along the first 107 poles of it. Scott's crossing at 107 poles is the small branch at Christie's corner.

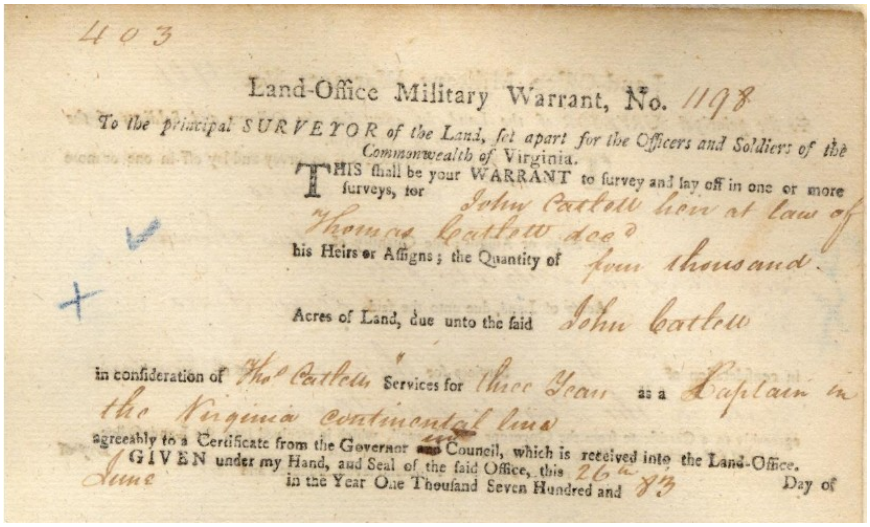
The patent. The patent is issued by Beverley Randolph, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, by virtue of part of Military Warrant No. 1198 "issued the 26th day of June 1783," to John Catlett, heir at law to Thomas Catlett, for land "in the District set apart for the Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental line," and was sealed at Richmond on the eleventh day of December 1789, "of the Commonwealth the fourteenth." The margin reads "John Catlett, 2000 acres, Continental line" and "#6751"; the page is numbered 353, and an archival note reads "Grant Bk. 12." The patent gives the first branch crossing on the second line as 295 poles; the survey's figure reads 275 or 295.

The docket. The back of the survey carries Anderson's certificate, "I certify that I have in my possession the warrant on which the within survey was made. Examined Recorded. Richard C. Anderson, June 14th 1785," and the docket "John Catlett, 2000 Acre Survey, Recorded page 147, Rec'd 2[5?]th Jan'y 1789, Grant issued 11th December 1789," followed by "Examined" with an initialed signature and "Recorded page 603" (over a struck "604") and "R B 8 P 264 [?]." These later entries are not fully legible in this image.

The other 2,000 acres. Warrant No. 1198 was for 4,000 acres; the survey of the other half is not among these images.

Images. These are low-resolution images; readings marked [?] are uncertain.

Images / Appendix



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Land-Office Military Warrant, No. 1198

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 John Catlett heir at law of Thomas Catlett dec'd

his Heirs or Assigns; the Quantity of four thousand

Acres of Land, due unto the said John Catlett

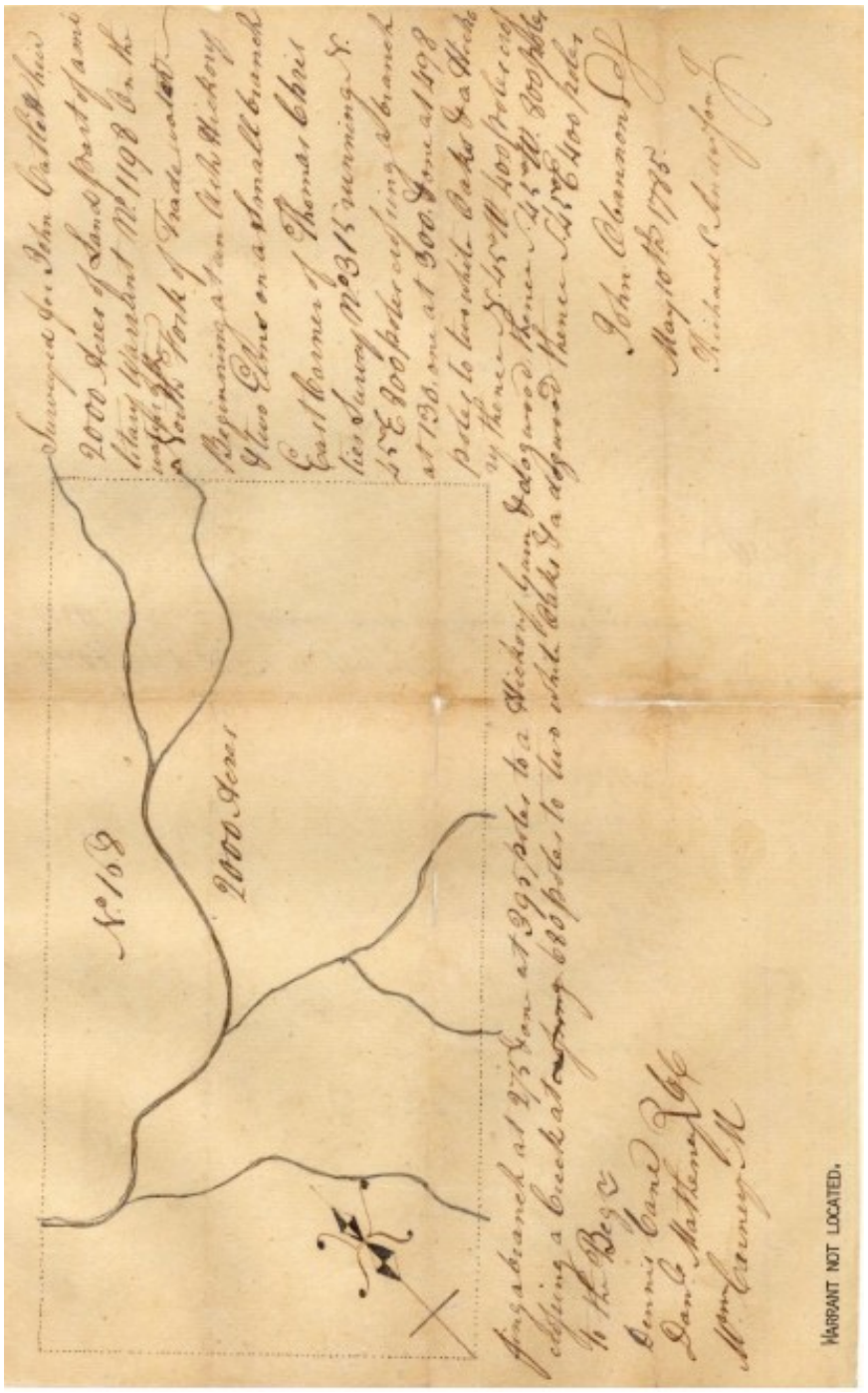
in consideration of Tho' Catlett Services for three Years as a Captain in the Virginia continental line

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

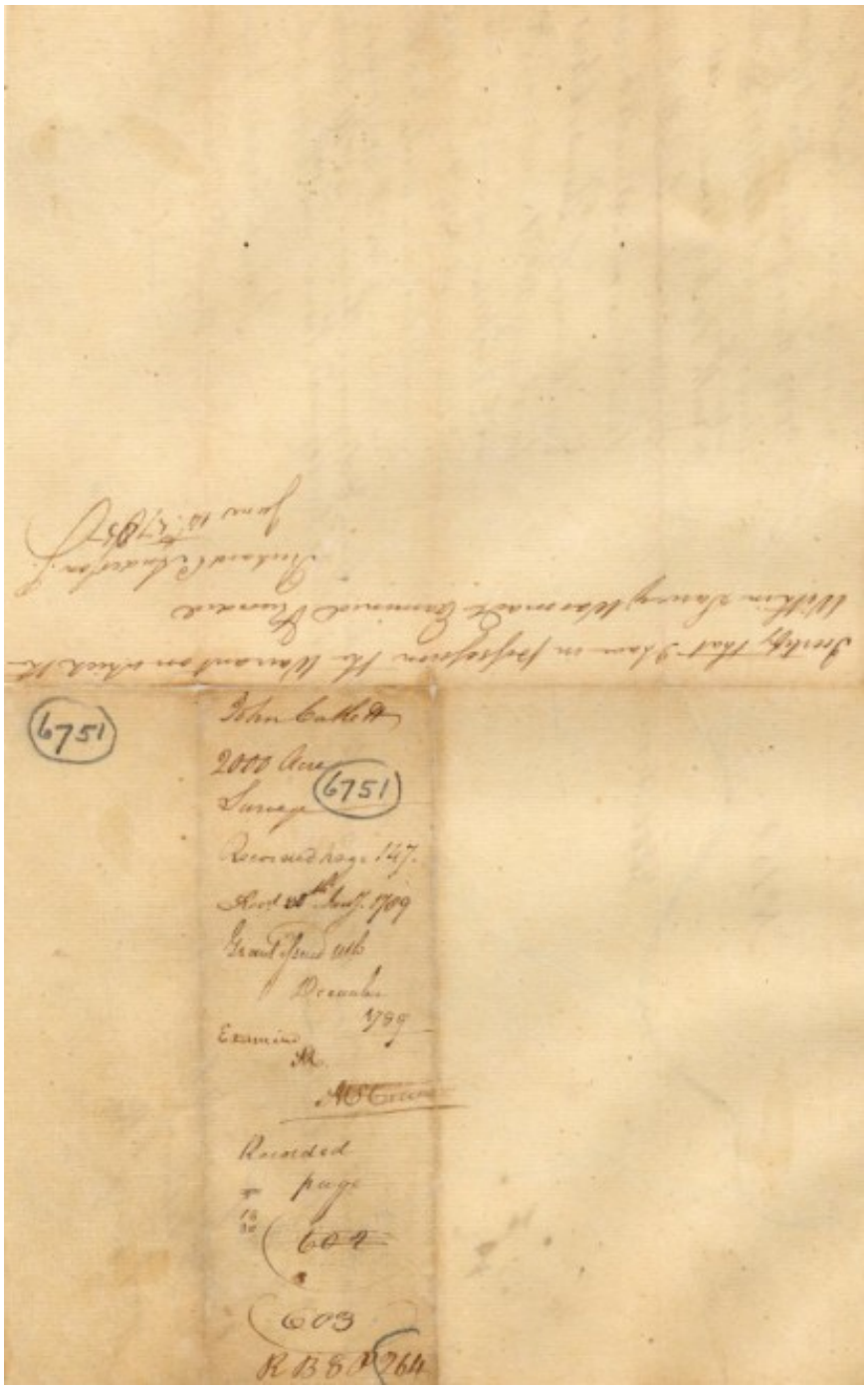
GIVEN under my Hand, and Seal of the said Office, this 26th

June in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and 83 Day of

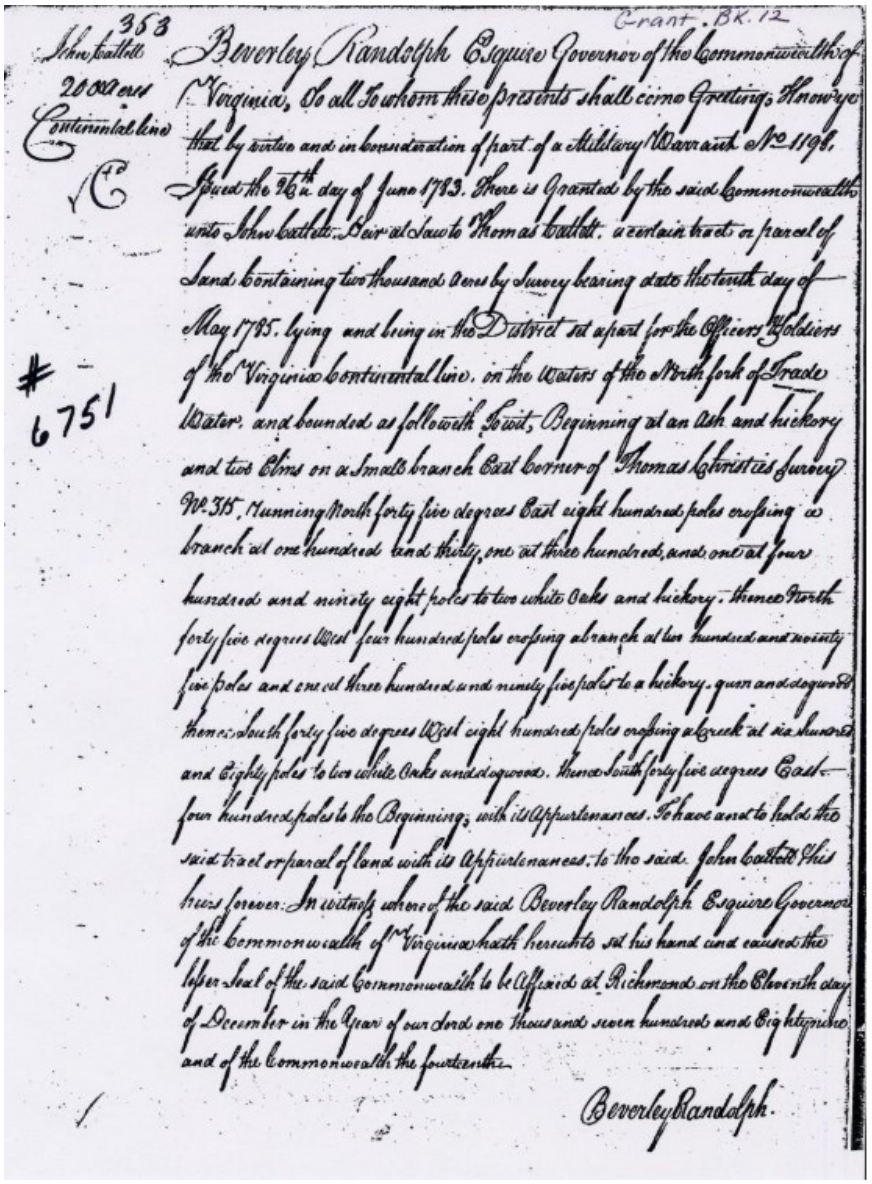
Appendix Image 1. Land-Office Military Warrant No. 1198, 26 June 1783, to John Catlett, heir at law of Thomas Catlett, for 4,000 acres.



Appendix Image 2. Survey No. 168 for John Catlett, 2,000 acres, 10 May 1785, with plat; John O'Bannon, D.S.; Richard C. Anderson.



Appendix Image 3. Survey — back: Anderson's certificate, 14 June 1785; docket, No. 6751, received January 1789, grant issued 11 December 1789.



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John Catlett 2000 acres Continental line

Beverley Randolph 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 Warrant No. 1198, Issued the 26th day of June 1783. There is Granted by the said Commonwealth unto John Catlett Assignee of Thomas Catlett, a certain tract or parcel of Land containing two thousand Acres by Survey bearing date the tenth day of May 1785. lying and being in the District set apart for the Officers & Soldiers of the Virginia Continental line, on the Waters of the North fork of Trade Water, and bounded as followeth To wit, Beginning at an Ash and hickory and two Elms on a Small branch East corner of Thomas Christies Survey No. 315, Running North forty five degrees East eight hundred poles crossing a branch at one hundred and thirty, one at three hundred, and one at four hundred and ninety eight poles to two white Oaks and hickory. thence North forty five degrees West four hundred poles crossing a branch at two hundred and ninety five poles and one at three hundred and ninety five poles to a hickory. gum and dogwood thence South forty five degrees West eight hundred poles crossing a Creek at six hundred and Eighty poles to two white Oaks and dogwood. thence South forty five degrees East four hundred 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 Catlett his heirs forever: In witness whereof the said Beverley Randolph 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 Eleventh day of December in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty nine and of the Commonwealth the fourteenth

Beverley Randolph.

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Appendix Image 4. Virginia patent to John Catlett, 11 December 1789, signed by Governor Beverley Randolph (Grant Book 12, page 353).