John Hopkins (assignee of Charles Scott Jr.) — Virginia Military Grant — Survey No. 5376 (Land-Office Military Warrant No. 2444; surveyor's No. 330)

1,666⅔ Acres on the Waters of the North Fork of Tradewater (no county named)
Original Warrantee Charles Scott Jr.; Patentee by Assignment

Land Record Abstract and Survey Summary

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Abstract

On 10 February 1784 the Virginia Land Office issued Military Warrant No. 2444 to Mr. Charles Scott for 2,666⅔ acres, due to him for his services for the war as a cornet in the Virginia Continental line. The warrant was entered on 20 April 1785, and on 9 May 1785 1,666⅔ acres of it were surveyed for "Charles Scott Junr." on the waters of the North Fork of Tradewater, as survey No. 330: a rectangle 667 poles by 400 on 45-degree bearings, beginning at two white oaks and a dogwood, the east corner of James Curry's survey No. 173. Isaac Hitchcock was marker and Amos Goodwin [?] and William Brennan [?] chain carriers; the assistant surveyor's signature is blotted ("[?] Robertson, Ass't"). Its north-west side runs with the lines of John Catlett's survey No. 168 and Thomas Christie's survey No. 315, and its south-west side with Curry's line; its west corner is the south corner of Christie's survey, the east corner of John Taylor Griffin's survey No. 180 and the north corner of Curry's. Richard C. Anderson certified that he held the warrant and signed the survey "Examined & Recorded" on 15 June 1785. On 3 October 1800 Charles Scott assigned the survey to John Hopkins, witnessed by Clement Read and Thomas [J.?] Scott. The survey was received in October 1802, and on 8 October 1803

Governor James Garrard signed the patent at Frankfort to John Hopkins, assignee of C. Scott, countersigned by Harry Toulmin, Secretary; the margin notes it was examined and delivered on 30 December 1803.

Survey Description

Metes and bounds as written in the survey and confirmed against the patent. Distances are in poles. The patent writes the last course as North 45° East; see Research Notes.

Surveyed for Charles Scott Junr. 1,666⅔ acres of land, part of a Military Warrant No. 2444, on the waters of the North Fork of Trade Water. Beginning at two white oaks and a dogwood, E[ast] corner to James Curry's survey No. 173; running N[orth] 45° E[ast] 667 poles, crossing a branch at 100, one at 160, one at 230, one at 340 and one at 500 poles, to a white oak, ash and dogwood; thence N[orth] 45° W[est] 400 poles, crossing a branch at 20, at 200 and at 220 poles, to two white oaks and an ash in the line of John Catlett's survey No. 168; thence with Catlett's and Christie's line S[outh] 45° W[est] 667 poles, crossing a branch at 107 and one at 160 poles, to two black oaks and a dogwood, S[outh] corner to Thomas Christie's survey No. 315, E[ast] corner to John Taylor Griffin's survey No. 180 and N[orth] corner to Curry; thence with Curry's line S[outh] 45° E[ast] 400 poles, crossing a branch at 136 poles, to the beginning. Isaac Hitchcock, M[arker]; Amos Goodwin [?] and William Brennan [?], C.C. [?] Robertson, Ass't [surveyor]. Richard C. Anderson.

Record Summary

Warrant	Land-Office Military Warrant No. 2444, 10 February 1784 (Virginia), 2,666⅔ acres; entered 20 April 1785
Survey Number	5376 (No. 330 on the plat)
Original Warrantee	Charles Scott ("Charles Scott Junr." in the survey), cornet, Virginia Continental line
Surveyed For / Patentee	Surveyed for Charles Scott Jr.; patented to John Hopkins, assignee of C. Scott; not found in Jillson
Acreage	1,666⅔ acres (667 by 400 poles)
Watercourse	Waters of the North Fork of Tradewater
County	None named
Adjoining	James Curry's survey No. 173 (south-west); Thomas Christie's No. 315, KLG 1120 (north-west, south-western 560 poles), and John Taylor Griffin's No. 180, KLG 3551 (at the west corner); John Catlett's No. 168 (north-west); Thomas Pemberton's 4,000 acres, KLG 3161 (south-east)
Survey Date	9 May 1785

Examined and Recorded	15 June 1785, Richard C. Anderson; recorded page 169
Assignment	3 October 1800, Charles Scott to John Hopkins; witnesses Clement Read and Thomas [J.?] Scott
Received	[2?] October 1802
Patent / Grant Issued	8 October 1803, signed by Governor James Garrard at Frankfort; page 586
Surveyor / Chain Carriers	[?] Robertson, assistant surveyor; Isaac Hitchcock, marker; Amos Goodwin [?] and William Brennan [?], chain carriers

Chronology

10 February 1784	Land-Office Military Warrant No. 2444 issued to Charles Scott for 2,666⅔ acres for his services for the war as a cornet in the Virginia Continental line
20 April 1785	Warrant entered
9 May 1785	1,666⅔ acres (No. 330) surveyed for Charles Scott Jr.; Isaac Hitchcock, marker
15 June 1785	Survey examined and recorded by Richard C. Anderson, who certified that he held the warrant
3 October 1800	Charles Scott assigns the survey to John Hopkins
[2?] October 1802	Survey received
8 October 1803	Patent issued to John Hopkins, assignee of C. Scott, signed by Governor James Garrard
30 December 1803	Patent examined and delivered to Tho. Bibb[y?]

Persons Named in the Record

Charles Scott Jr.	Original warrantee ("Mr. Charles Scott"; "Charles Scott Junr." in the survey); cornet; assignor
John Hopkins	Assignee; patentee
[?] Robertson	Assistant surveyor (signature blotted)
Richard C. Anderson	Examined and recorded the survey
Isaac Hitchcock	Marker

Amos Goodwin [?]	Chain carrier
William Brennan [?]	Chain carrier
Clement Read	Witness to the assignment
Thomas [J.?] Scott	Witness to the assignment
James Curry	Adjoining owner (survey No. 173)
Thomas Christie	Adjoining owner (survey No. 315)
John Taylor Griffin	Adjoining owner (survey No. 180)
John Catlett	Adjoining owner (survey No. 168)
James Garrard	Governor of Kentucky
Harry Toulmin	Secretary of the Commonwealth
Tho. Bibb[y?]	Received the patent, 30 December 1803

Land Description

A rectangle of 667 by 400 poles (1,667 acres) on the waters of the North Fork of Tradewater, its sides on 45-degree bearings. Its south corner, the beginning, is two white oaks and a dogwood, the east corner of James Curry's survey No. 173; its east corner a white oak, ash and dogwood; its north corner two white oaks and an ash in the line of John Catlett's survey No. 168; and its west corner two black oaks and a dogwood, the south corner of Thomas Christie's survey No. 315, the east corner of John Taylor Griffin's survey No. 180 and the north corner of Curry's. Its north-west side runs with Catlett's and Christie's lines and its south-west side with Curry's line.

Research Notes

The warrant. Land-Office Military Warrant No. 2444 directs the principal surveyor of the land set apart for the officers and soldiers of the Commonwealth of Virginia to lay off 2,666⅔ acres for "Mr. Charles Scott," his heirs or assigns, due "in consideration of his services for the war as a Cornet in the Virginia continental line." It is dated the 10th of February; the year is written in figures and reads 1784, as the Secretary of State's warrant database also gives it ("2/10/1784"). The earlier report read 1781. This survey uses 1,666⅔ acres of the warrant; the other 1,000 acres are not among these images.

Who Charles Scott was. The warrant is to "Mr. Charles Scott," a cornet (the lowest commissioned rank in the cavalry), and the survey and docket call him "Charles Scott Junr." The earlier report identified him as Charles Scott who became governor of Kentucky in 1808; that Charles Scott served as a general, not a cornet, and these records give no ground for the identification, so it has been removed.

The survey. The survey is numbered "No. 330" on the plat and is for "1666⅔ Acres." The marker and chain carriers are "Isaac Hitchcock, M." and "Amos Goodwin [?], William

Brennan [?], C.C."; the assistant surveyor's signature at lower right is blotted and reads "[?] Robertson, Ass't," not Wm. Thornton as the earlier report had it. On the back Richard C. Anderson wrote, "I certify that I have in my possession the warrant on which the within survey was made. Examined & Recorded. This survey was made on an entry of the 20th April 1785. Richard C. Anderson, June 15th 1785"; the earlier report gave 20 September 1785 as the recording date. The survey sheet carries a modern stamp, "SURVEY 5376 / WARRANT NOT LOCATED," although the warrant is in this file.

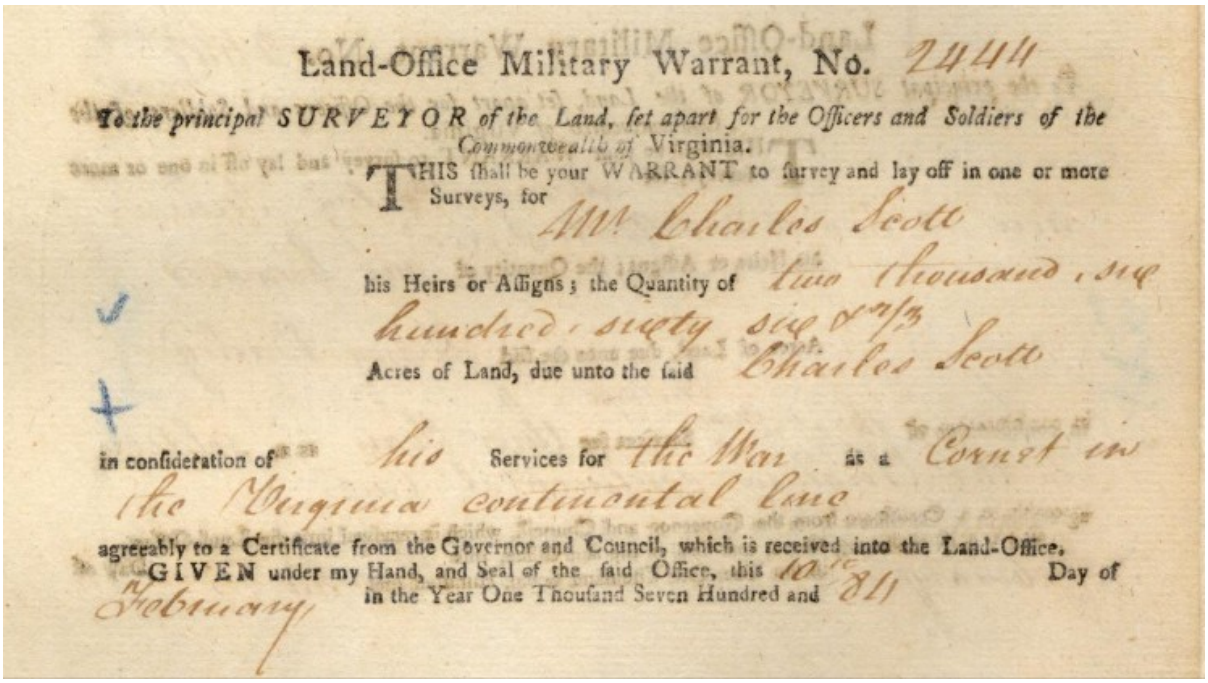
Corrections to the courses and neighbors. The earlier report omitted the dogwood and the word "East" at the beginning corner, read "crossing a road" where the survey has a branch (and left out the branch at 100 poles), gave the second corner as "a white ash and dogwood" (it is a white oak, ash and dogwood), the third crossing on the north-west course as 290 poles (it is 220), and the north corner as "two white oaks and an elm" (an ash). The neighbors are John Catlett (written "Catlett" in the patent; the earlier report and the DeedMapper draft read "Cattell" and "Cottell"), Thomas Christie (not "Chastine" or "Christian") and John Taylor Griffin. The courses are 667 + 400 + 667 + 400 poles and close exactly; the rectangle holds 1,667.5 acres.

Assignment, recording and patent. On the back of the survey Charles Scott wrote, "I assign the within survey to John Hopkins for value received. Witness my hand this third day of October 1800. C. Scott," witnessed by Clement Read and Thomas [J.?] Scott; several lines below are too faded to read. The docket reads "Charles Scott Junr., 1666⅔ Acres, Survey, Recorded page 169, ... adjoining James Curry & J. T. Griffin, Rec'd [2?] Oct. 1802, Grant iss'd 8 Oct. 1803." The patent, on page 586, is to "John Hopkins, assignee of C. Scott," by virtue of part of military warrant No. 2444 "entered the 20th day of April 1785," and James Garrard signed it at Frankfort "on the eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three and of the Commonwealth the twelfth," countersigned by Harry Toulmin, Secretary. The earlier report gave the patent date as 8 October 1800; the patent and the docket both say 1803. The margin reads "John Hopkins, 1666⅔ Acres, Cont'l line. Examined & delivered to Tho. Bibb[y?], 30 Dec. 1803." The patent writes the last course "North 45° East 400 poles"; the survey's "S. 45° E." is the course that closes the figure, so the patent's "North" and "East" appear to be a copying error.

Neighbors and Survey 3161. Thomas Pemberton's 4,000 acres, KLG 3161, surveyed for Addison Lewis three days later, on 12 May 1785, reach their north corner at "two hickories and a dogwood in the line of Charles Scott Jr.'s survey No. 330" and return south 45 west "with Scott's, Curry's and Crawford's lines." This survey's south-east side, from its beginning (Curry's east corner) north 45 east 667 poles, is the only side of No. 330 on that bearing with open land to the south-east, so 3161's north-west side runs along it and then on along Curry's line. Survey No. 330 therefore lies north-west of 3161; where 3161's north corner falls along these 667 poles is not stated. James Curry's survey No. 173 (KLG 6442) lies south-west of this survey along its closing line; Thomas Christie's No. 315 (KLG 1120) and John Taylor Griffin's No. 180 (KLG 3551) meet at its west corner; and Christie's survey runs along the south-western 560 poles of this survey's north-west side, from the west corner to the branch crossed at 107 poles, with John Catlett's No. 168 along the remaining 107. The Curry, Christie and Griffin surveys were also made in May 1785.

Images. This report uses the four images in this file: the warrant, the survey and its back, and the patent.

Images / Appendix



Land-Office Military Warrant, No. 2444

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

Mr. Charles Scott

his Heirs or Assigns; the Quantity of two thousand, six hundred, sixty six & 2/3

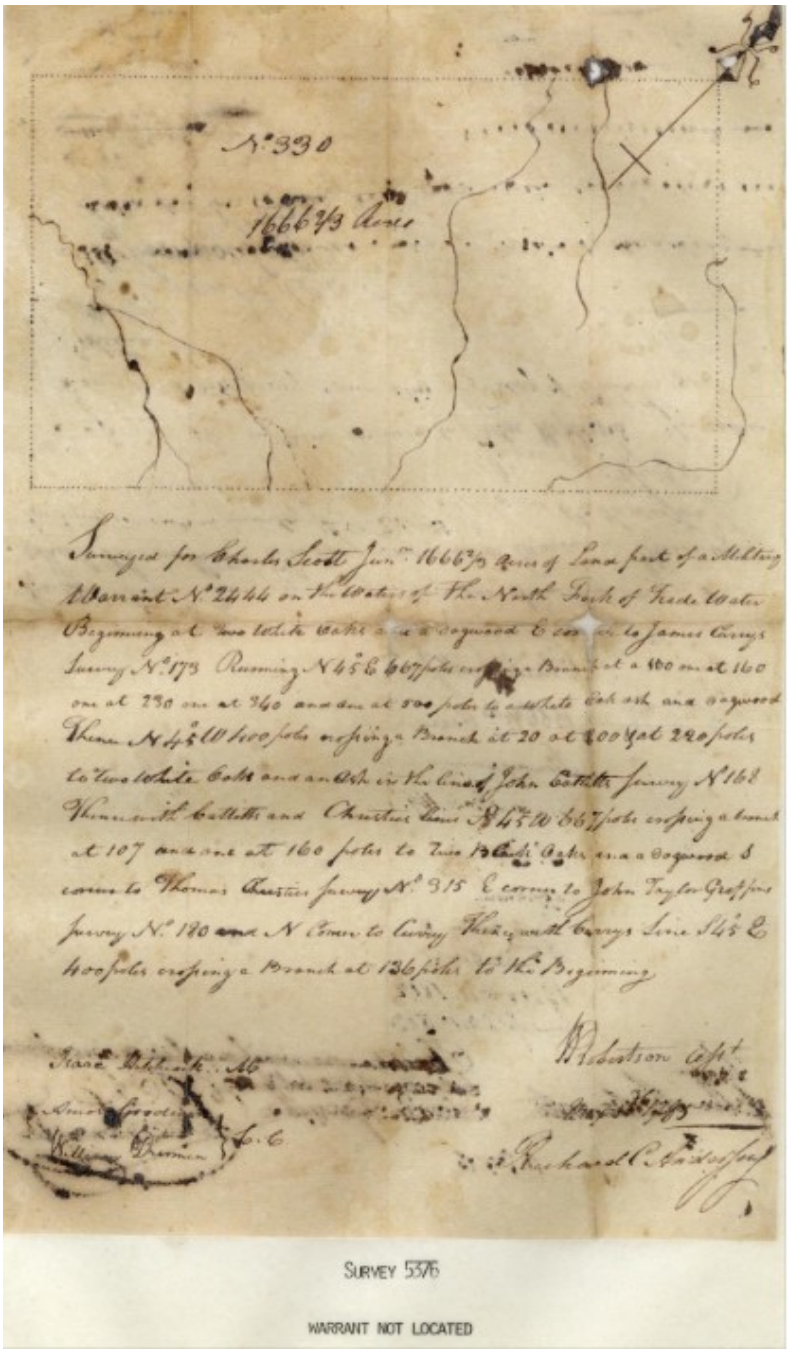
Acres of Land, due unto the said Charles Scott

in consideration of his Services for the War as a Cornet in the Virginia continental line

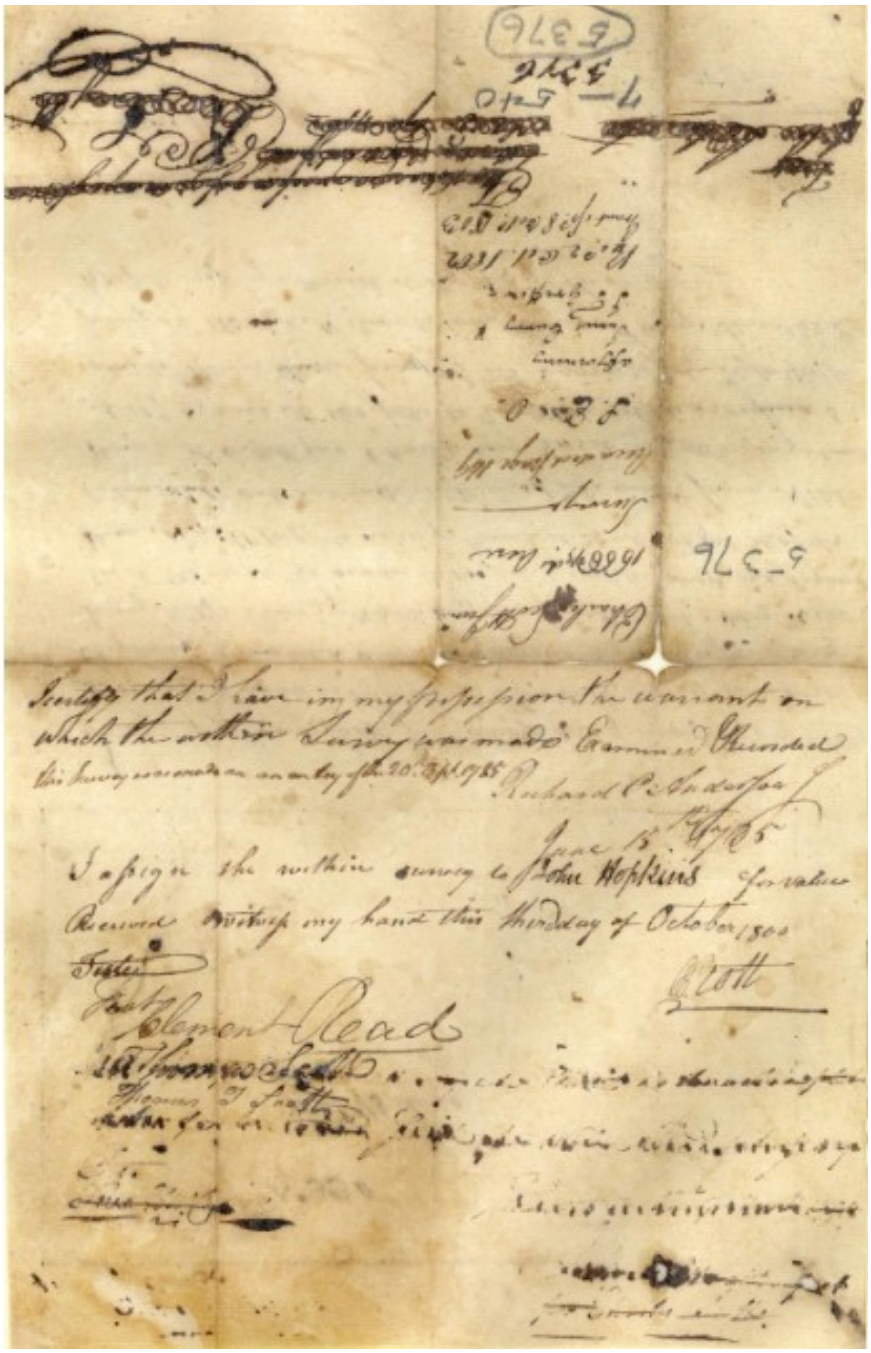
agreeably to a Certificate from the Governor and Council, which is received into the Land-Office.

GIVEN under my Hand, and Seal of the said Office, this 10th Day of February in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and 84

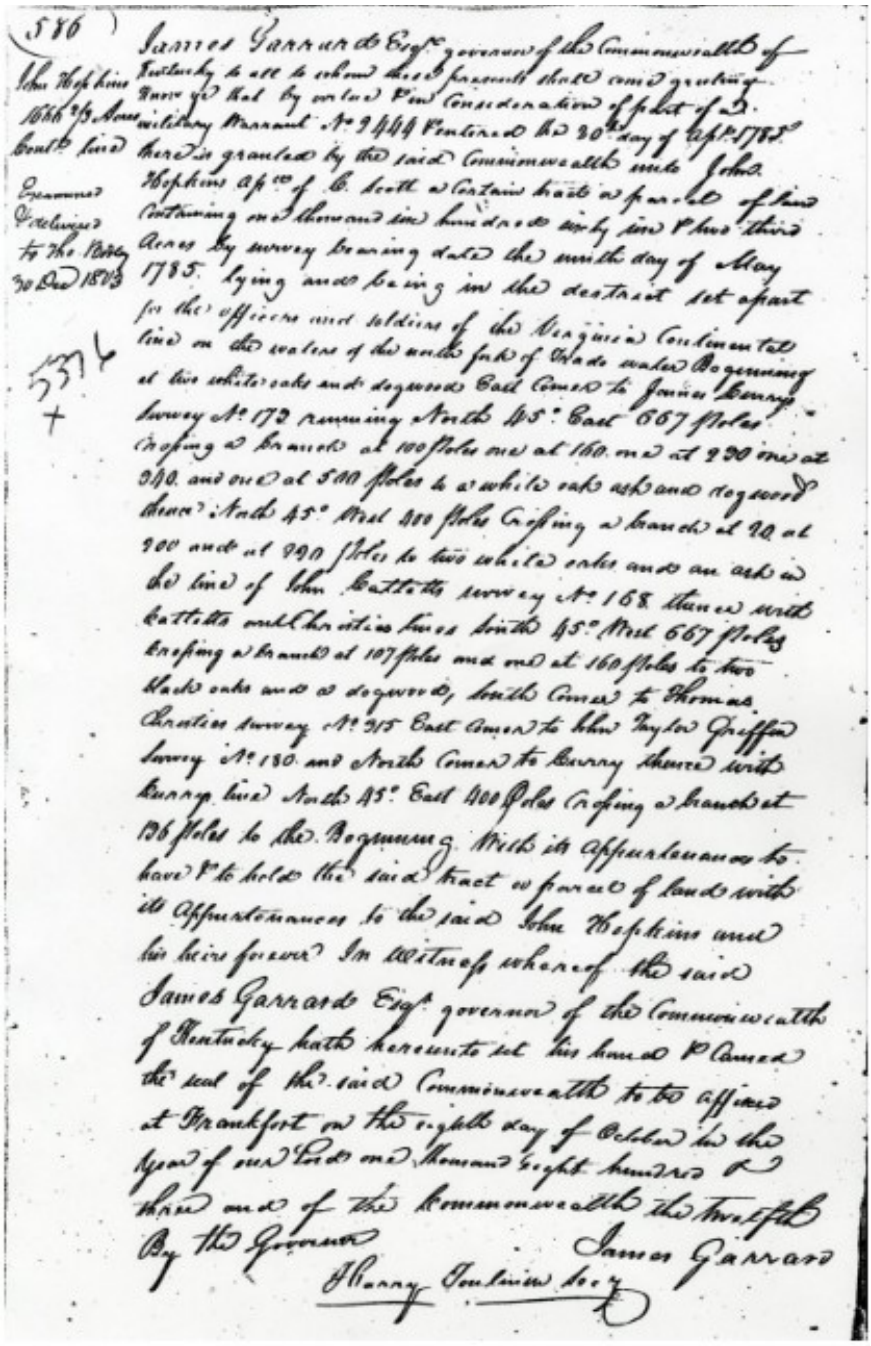
Appendix Image 1. Land-Office Military Warrant No. 2444, 10 February 1784, to Charles Scott for 2,666⅔ acres.



Appendix Image 2. Survey No. 330 (Kentucky survey 5376), 9 May 1785, with the plat ("No. 330," "1666⅔ Acres") and the modern stamp "WARRANT NOT LOCATED".



Appendix Image 3. Survey — Back (Anderson's certificate, 15 June 1785; assignment to John Hopkins, 3 October 1800; docket: grant issued 8 October 1803).



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John Hopkins
1666 2/3 Acres
Contd. line

Examined
& delivered
to The Bldg
30 Dec 1803

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James Garrard Esqr. governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to all to whom these presents shall come greeting. Know ye that by virtue & in consideration of part of a military Warrant No. 9444 & entered the 30th day of Apl. 1785 there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto John Hopkins Apce. of C. Scott a Certain tract or parcel of land Containing one thousand six hundred sixty six & two third Acres by survey bearing date the ninth day of May 1785. lying and being in the district set apart for the officers and soldiers of the Virginia Continental line on the waters of the north fork of Trade water Beginning at two white oaks and dogwood East Comer to James Curry Survey No. 173 running North 45° East 667 Poles Crossing a branch at 100 Poles one at 160. one at 230 one at 340. and one at 500 Poles to a white oak ash and dogwood thence North 45° West 400 Poles Crossing a branch at 20 at 200 and at 220 Poles to two white oaks and an ash in the line of John Cattetts survey No. 168 thence with Cattetts and Christies lines South 45° West 667 Poles Crossing a branch at 107 Poles and one at 160 Poles to two black oaks and a dogwood, South Comer to Thomas Christies survey No. 315 East Comer to John Taylor Griffin Survey No. 180 and North Comer to Curry thence with Curry line North 45° East 400 Poles Crossing a branch at 136 Poles to the Beginning With its Appurtenances to have & to hold the said tract or parcel of land with its Appurtenances to the said John Hopkins and his heirs forever In Witness whereof the said James Garrard Esqr. governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky hath hereunto set his hand & Caused the seal of the said Commonwealth to be affixed at Frankfort on the eighth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & three and of the Commonwealth the twelfth

By the Governor James Garrard

Harry Toulmin Secy

Appendix Image 4. Patent to John Hopkins, assignee of C. Scott, 8 October 1803 — page 586 (signed by James Garrard).