

hired, again enlisted with him for the further term
of three months, which three terms of enlistment
amounting to not less than nine months, in all, he
served in the company of Militia aforesaid, in the said
year of One thousand seven hundred & seventy nine, that
their service during said time, consisted chiefly in being
out on scouting parties, watching the motion of the
Indians, being sometimes stationary at certain places
and being always ready and doing every thing they could
to save the lives of the defenceless inhabitants from
the cruelty of the savages; That early in the Spring of
the year thousand seven hundred & eighty, defendant again
enlisted with said Captain Thornton, in the said
company, and served therein in like manner as in the
foregoing season for a space of time not less than
six months; that near the latter end of said
time, defendant and fourteen or fifteen others had
been stationed at the house of said defendant fa-
ther, that while the men were at some distance
during the day, the house was burnt by the Indians,
and defendant's mother, two brothers & one sister were
killed, & the house burned; after which time defen-
dant went with the rest who were then retreated to said
forts, where they were stationed until the said
term expired; That after said term of six months
had expired, defendant again enlisted in a compa-
ny of militia, of said Regiment commanded by
Colonel John Piper, which company was com-
manded by Captain John Thornton, for a term
of two months, and served therein in such sort
of service as he has already stated; That in the
Spring of the year one thousand seven hundred and
eighty one, defendant again enlisted in the said
company of Militia commanded by Captain
John Thornton for a term of two months, and
served during said term in defending the inhabitants
from the depredations of the Indians, that in all the said
enlisted terms together, he served not less than nineteen
months as a Militia man, and the only man he knows
of who can bear any testimony to his services is George Vaughan.