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Historical Information

An Act to amend the laws of revenue, introduced in the October 1787 General Assembly session and passed on 1 January 1788, established an aggregate fund derived from collection of taxes in arrears. The Governor, with advice from Council, was authorized to instruct the Auditor of Public Accounts to issue warrants for balances that may be justly due. Provisions in this act provided for the disbursements from the fund to settle public claims against the state, including debts owed to state agents who had advanced their own money to purchase supplies for military use during the revolutionary war; for money due by the public for lands appropriated by the directors of public buildings; for resolutions passed by the General Assembly for the payment of tobacco debts; and for money due for slaves executed by legal sentence. Claims against the aggregate fund were often submitted to the Committee of Claims for approval.

Scope and Content

The records in this collection consist largely of orders from the governor and Council authorizing the auditor to issue warrants, and vouchers submitted by creditors in support of their claims. The vouchers include the names of persons to whom money was owed, the amounts, reason for the payment, and the dates the vouchers were submitted. Documents supporting the claims pre-date the approval date by several years.

This collection contains the following records: General claims, 1788-1812; Revolutionary claims, 1788-1795; Claim of William Morris, Superintendent of the Pamunkey Shipyard and the Chickahominy Shipyard, 1788-1790; Claims against John, Earl of Dunmore, 1790; Claim of the Brigantine Liberty, 1790-1794, and Schooner Alliance, 1781; and the Claim of John Stringer, Agent for Thomas Smith, State Agent, 1788.

General Claims, 1788-1812, are in chronological order and include resolutions, orders, warrants and vouchers for civilian claims related to condemned slaves, escheat inquisitions, land, rent, services, suffering in captivity, surveying, taxes, tobacco, wages, and goods supplied to support the Revolutionary War effort, as well as claims related to escheats and forfeitures of British subjects and claims against the estate of Lord Dunmore. Claims may also include accounts, correspondence, and court records.

Revolutionary Claims, 1788-1795, are in chronological order and include resolutions, warrants and vouchers for claims related to medical expenses, services, hiring enslaved labor, tobacco, military pay, and goods supplied to support the Revolutionary War effort, as well as to reimbursements for losses during the war. Claims may also include accounts, correspondence, and court records. This series also includes general claims related to civilian wages, rent, land and escheated property, as well as claims against Lord Dunmore.

General claims and Revolutionary claims were kept in their original order, but there is overlap between the two series, with general claims appearing in the Revolutionary claims, and vice versa.

Claim of William Morris, Superintendent of the Pamunkey Shipyard, 1788-1790, is in chronological order and includes accounts, correspondence, orders, petitions, resolutions, vouchers and warrants. Accounts include entries for supplies for ships and the shipyard, such as food, water casks, rum, canvas, nails, rope, sails, tar, tools, turpentine and munitions; and payments for services to blacksmiths, carpenters, coopers, and joiners. Also includes accounts for the Chickahominy Shipyard, Cumberland Shipyard and wages for enslaved laborers. Includes individual accounts for the Brig Gouveneur, Brig Hampton, Brig Industry, Brig Northampton, Flatt Betsey, Flatt Buckskin, Schooner Hornet, Schooner Mayflower, Schooner Peace and Plenty, and the Sloop Congress.

Claims against John, Earl of Dunmore, 1790, includes an account with Commonwealth.

Claim of the Brigantine Liberty, 1790-1794, includes accounts for wages and supplies, as well accounts and correspondence related to the distribution of Naval prize money from the proceeds of British vessels captured and sold. Also includes an Act concerning Capt. Herbert, commander of the Brig Liberty; a List of Seamen on the Brig Liberty, and the claim of Henry Stratton, Commander of the Schooner Alliance.

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