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**New York State Department of State Register of Military
Bounty Land Grants A0476**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	The published version of the Balloting Book contains documents and lists relating to the allotment of bounty lands in the Military Tract in central New York and includes. names of soldiers by regiment with location and acreage of grant and date of patent. Also provided are lists of officers and soldiers by unit; of lots in each township with acreage; and of Canadian and Nova Scotian Refugees entitled to land grants with lot numbers assigned to them.
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Administrative History

The statute authorizing military bounty land grants in the new Military Tract of Central New York was Chap. 44, Laws of 1789. The "Balloting Book" was published at Albany by Packard and Van Benthuyzen in 1825. It was evidently published by the Secretary of State on his own authority, as no statute or resolution has been found directing the book to be printed. A name index to the "Balloting Book" was compiled by Mary F. Ferris and published in 1954 (copy in the New York State Library).

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Scope and Content Note

The "Balloting Book" published various documents relating to the allotment of lands in the Military Tract of Central New York. The documents include extracts from the journals of the U.S. Congress and the New York State Assembly concerning military bounties; acts of the Legislature; and extracts from the minutes of the Commissioners of the Land Office.

The complete "Balloting Book" gives names of soldiers by regiment, with location of military patents (township and lot), acreage, and date of grant; lists of officers and soldiers by unit, including those who died in service or who resigned; a list of lots by number in each township in the Military Tract, with the name of the patentee given (the number of acres in each lot and book and page reference to Military Patents (Series A0447) or Letters Patent (Series 12943) is given in the margin in ink); an alphabetical list of patentees, with the name of the person to whom the patent was delivered; and a list of patents granted to Canadian and Nova Scotian refugees. A detailed table of contents ("Index") is at the end of the volume.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

Alternate Formats AvailableAlternate Formats Available

Microfilm is available for use at the New York State Archives or through interlibrary loan.

Access Terms

- Monitoring
- Bounties, Military
- New York (State)
- Land settlement
- Registers