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| Name: | Robert Armstrong |
| Warrant Text: | Pennsylvania, By the Proprietaries  Whereas on the thirteenth day of August 1757 Robert Armstrong of Paxton Township in the County of Lancaster applied to the then Secretary of our Land Office for a Warrant for a tract of lands one hundred acres more or less on the east side of the River Sasquahanna in the said township & thereon he and his Brother Alexander Armstrong (illegible) had several years before made large and valuable improvements which had been burnt and destroyed by the Indians in 1755.  And Whereas in consideration that the Government had erected a Fort on the said tract called Fort Halifax the granting of the said Warrant was respited, but a ticket was then signed by the said Secretary signifying that the said application of the said Robert Armstrong was accepted and directed to the Surveyor General as a caveat that in no part (?) of the said Robert Armstrong’s said plantation now be granted to any other person as by the said ticket remaining in the Surveyor (illegible) office appears.  And Whereas the said Fort having been some time ago burnt and destroyed the said Robert Armstrong hath since repaired or rebuilt his improvements on the said tract but has now again been drove off by the Indians and obliged to desert the same; and the best part of the timber and wood on the said tract and for a mile or upwards around the said fort having been destroyed by the soldiers and garrisons of the said fort the said Robert Armstrong has now humbly besought us to grant him our Warrant for two hundred and fifty acres in order to secure his said improvements and for adding some timber land joining hereto in lieu of that destroyed as aforesaid.  And we commiserating his misfortunes and in consideration of the great expense he has been at in manning and repairing his buildings and improvements there as aforesaid, and favouring his request;  These are to require you to Survey or cause to be surveyed the said two hundred and fifty acres at the place aforesaid joining the plantation late of Simon Girtee in Paxton Township and make Return thereof into the Secretary’s Office in order for confirmation to the said Robert Armstrong on his paying to our use the Purchase Money of fifteen pounds ten shillings per hundred acres with interest and arrears of quit rent of one half penny sterling per acre the first settlement thereof to wit from the 1st of March 175? (illegible) and making reasonable allowance for the time the said Robert Armstrong and his family have been drove away from (illegible) absent from the said plantation on account of Indians (illegible);  And provided that if the said Robert Armstrong shall (illegible) and fully comply with said terms in six months now (illegible) Warrant and survey to be made thereon shall be (illegible) void anything herein before mentioned or contained to the contrary in any but notwithstanding.  And for your so doing this shall be (illegible)  Given under my hand and the seal of the Land Office by virtue of certain powers from the said Proprietaries at Philadelphia this seventh day of April Anno Domini 1764. John (illegible)  To John Luken, Surveyor General |
| Warrant Date: | 17 Apr 1764 |
| Warrant Place: | Paxton (Paxtang) Twp., Lancaster Co. |

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