

New York

Bennett, William

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William Bennett

Tyler in the State of Virginia who was a priv. in the company commanded by Captain M. Anderson the Regt. commanded by Col. Van Deyke in the New York line for 2 years

Order to pay August 26, 1837

Inserted on the Roll of Virginia at the rate of 80 Dollars per annum, to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 6th day of May 1835 - Tyler C. H. wa. (see)

Arrears to the 1st of March 33 - 160
Pension, allowance ending Sept " 40

\$200

1st 50. 145

Revolutionary Claim Act June 7, 1832

Recorded by William Miller Clerk
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State of Virginia
County of Giles

On this 7th day of October 1832, personally appeared before me James Bailey, a Justice of the Peace in & for the County of Giles & State of Virginia aforesaid William Bennett, a resident of said County of Giles & State of Virginia aforesaid, aged Eighty Six years the 18th day of January 1832 old stile, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted about the 1st of June in the year 1777 for three years or during the War, in the Army of the United States as a substitute for Nicholas Moford & served under the following named officers, to wit - That he belonged to a Company commanded by Capt. Joseph McCracken, attached to the 1st Regiment of the New York State Line, which Regiment was commanded by Col. G. van Hook, Lieut. Col. Isaac Vanduyke & Major John Graham & Peter Ice Adjutant. That he was marched from Fort Edward, New York, where he enlisted to Salem in said State, from thence to Stillwater on the Hudson River to intercept the passage of Burgoyne's Army, then on their March down the Hudson River, where his Regiment together with the Army under the command of General Gates remained, until the Regiment to which he was attached was sent expressly to relieve Fort Stanwick, which had been besieged by a Party of British, Indians & Tories, but the Enemy having raised the siege of Fort Stanwick & left that part of the Country before his Regiment arrived, they were then marched to Johnstown, from thence to Cohoes where they went into Winter quarters, from whence early in the following Spring they were marched to Albany from thence to Fishkill, from there to the Valley Forge Pa where they joined the Main Army under the command of Genl. George Washington, shortly before the Battle of Red Bank, in which battle he was - That his Commander Capt. Joseph McCracken lost an arm in the said Battle - That he the said William Bennett had been detailed & taken from his Company to serve as an Artillery Man, that in the early

part of the action aforesaid Lieut. McClure, who had the
Command of a piece of Artillery, which he the said William
Bennett assisted to man, was killed, having part of his
head shot off; that the Command of the said Piece of
Artillery was then assumed by a Sergeant ^{Fingers},
whose Command was for some misconduct on his part
immediately taken from him by Cap^t. McClure of the
Artillery & given to him the said William Bennett,
that he Commanded the said piece of Artillery after-
wards during the continuance of the Battle, in which
time he loaded & fired forty eight shots at the enemy
& although he escaped being wounded, yet so frequent
were his Comrades shot near him, that at the close
of the Battle, his clothes were from ^{his} head to ^{his} feet
covered with their brains & blood; that he took
a surfeit in his whole system from the great
exertions made & the excessive heat he experienced in
this engagement, which has ever since ^{greatly} oppressed and
harrassed & yet oppresses & harrasses him to a great
extent; that the day after the battle of Monmouth
he was permitted & did join his own Company again
and his Regiment was marched to & stationed on the
east side of the Hudson river, until about the 1st
of September 1778, when they received marching orders
& were marched back to Fish Kill & there took ^{boats} &
sailed to Albany, from thence to Fort Stanwick again, from
which place a detachment of 500 men was sent (of
which detachment he formed one) under the command
of the said Col^o. Van Hook & Major John Graham
against an Indian Town called Onondanga, which
Town they captured, killing a number & taking thirty
Seven prisoners; that he was born in the State of
Rhode Island & resided at the time of his enlistment
in the State of New York (as well as he recollects)
in what was then called the District of Saratoga, of
which Argyle was the County town, now situated in
Washington County, that he continued to reside in the
State of New York for many years after the close of
the Revolutionary War, but for the last thirty years past
he has resided in this County & the County of Ohio, from
which Ohio was taken - (that he served the United

States three years certain, but he believes he served
four years & some months, as a soldier of the Revolution
and received a discharge from the service as having
served during the war, from Lieut Colonel Van Dyke,
which discharge, according to the best of his recolle-
tion he received after Lord Cornwallis was taken,
which if correct, would make his service more than
four years from the time he entered the same as
Cornwallis was taken in the fall of 1781.

That by an act of the Legislature of New York
he was in common with others who had served during
the war entitled to 100 acres of land as a donation
from the Government of the State of New York, to be located
in the southern part of said State, which claim he sold
to a land speculator by the name of Seth Sherwood Senr.
then an old man, & to enable him to get the land, he gave
him his discharge; Sherwood died soon after & he never
received a cent for his hundred acre claim, nor has
he since been enabled to regain his discharge.

That he was entitled by an Act of Congress to
500 acres of land, also as he understood at the time
as a donation or bounty, which claim he sold to
one David J Sanford, whose obligation for the pur-
chase money therefor is annexed herunto, on
account of which he has never received a cent.

Sometime after he sold to Sanford he seen said
Sanford in prison confined for some criminal offences,
Sanford then informed him, that he had got the 500 acres
of land, & that had been expended for a debt of his own
& sold, & that so soon after his liberation, as he could
he would pay him therefor. That since that, he
has never seen or heard of said Sanford, that he does
not know whether he told him the truth about the land
or not, that he has no other documentary evidence
& that he knows of no person, whose testimony
he can procure, who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension
or an annuity except the present, and declares that his
name is not on the pension roll of any agency in
any State

Wm. Bennett
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Sworn to, and subscribed the day & year aforesaid
We Bayel Riggs a Justice of the Peace in & for the County of
Tyler & State of Virginia aforesaid & Isaac Lane, of the same
County & State, hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with
William Bennett, who has subscribed & sworn to the foregoing
declaration, having known him for thirty years past
that we believe him to be Eighty Six years of age; that he
is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resides
to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we
concur in that opinion

Bayel Riggs
Isaac Lane

Sworn, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid
And I the said James Bailey one of the Justices of the
Peace in and a Justice of the County Court of Tyler aforesaid
do hereby certify and declare that it is my opinion that
the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier and
served as he states; and I further certify that I have been
acquainted personally with the said William Bennett for the
last twenty five years and during which time, he has
been afflicted with a kind of hives in the system, which
he always said was caused by excessive or over heat at
the battle of Monmouth, and I further certify that he is
unable from bodily infirmity to go before the County
Court of our County, to make his declaration, being a
distance of twenty miles from his residence - And
I further certify that Bayel Riggs Esq^r who has subscr-
bed & sworn to the above certificate is an acting Justice
of the Peace in & for said County of Tyler residing therein
and that Isaac Lane who also subscribed & swore to the
preceding certificate is a resident of said County of
Tyler and that they are both creditable persons, and
their statement is entitled to credit given under
my hand this 17th day of October 1832

James Bailey

Virginia Tyler County, I David Nickman Clerk of the County Court of Tyler aforesaid in the
State aforesaid do hereby certify that James Bailey Esq^r before whom the foregoing declara-
tion was made & whose signature appears to the foregoing certificate, and at the time of taking
and subscribing to the same & should be an acting Justice of the Peace in & for
said County, duly commissioned and sworn according to Law - and I
further certify that I am well acquainted with the hand writing of
the said James Bailey Esq^r that the above is his proper signature
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this day
of February 1833

David Nickman

22, 1874.

William Bennett,
Virginia.

N.Y. 1874

Admit as a private
for 2 years \$80.00

at the N.Y. Coll.

David Hickman, clk.
Tyler Co. Va.
Lawrence, Va.

For:

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subjoined notes you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will show what is necessary to be done. These points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus: }). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this printed letter with them; and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, showing the Service of Wm. Bennett, of Tyler County, Va.

Period in which the claimant's service occurred.	Description of the claimant's service.			Rank of the claimant.	Name and Rank of the company officers and other whom he served.	Name and Rank of the General and Field Officers.	Battles in which the applicant was engaged.	Country through which he marched.	Place of abode when he carried the service, and up to the present period.	Evidence by which the facts relative to his service.
	Year.	Month.	Days.							
<i>Entered U.S. as a soldier for W. Morris</i>	<i>3</i>									

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,
Commissioner of Pensions.

REGULATIONS UNDER THE ACT OF JUNE 7, 1832.

The following regulations have been adopted:
 This law has been construed to extend, as well to the line, as to every branch of the Staff of the Army, and to include under the terms "Continental Line," "State troops," "militia," and "volunteers," all persons enlisted, drafted, or who volunteered and who were bound to military service, but not those who were occasionally employed with the army upon civil contracts, such as Clerks to Commissaries and to Store Keepers, &c. Teamsters, Boatmen, &c. Persons who served on board of Private Armed Vessels are also excluded from the benefits of the law, as well as persons who turned out as patrols, or were engaged in guarding particular places at night, and were not recognized as being in actual military service.

Four general classes of cases are embraced in this law:

1. The Regular Troops.
2. The State Troops, Militia, and Volunteers.
3. Persons employed in the Naval service.
4. Indian Spies.

As rolls of the regular troops in the Revolutionary War exist in this Department, all persons, claiming the benefit of this law as officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians or privates, will in the first instance, make application by transmitting the following declaration, which will be made before a Court of Record of the County where such applicant resides. And every Court having by law a seal and Clerk is considered a Court of Record.

DECLARATION.

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June, 1832.

State, Territory, or District of } ss.
 County of }

On this day of personally appeared (a) before A. B. a resident (b) of in the county of and State, Territory or District of aged (c) years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year (d) , with and served in the (e) regiment of the line, under the following named officers:

[Here set forth the names and rank of the Field and Company Officers, the time he left the service; (and if he served under more than one term of enlistment, he must specify the particular period, and rank and names of his officers) the town or county and State in which he resided when he entered the service; the battles, if any, in which he was engaged, and the country through which he marched. If this form is to be varied so as to apply to the cases of officers and persons who belonged to the militia, volunteers, navy, &c.]

He hereby relinquishes every claim (f) whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State, or (if any) only on that of the Agency in the State of

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

A. B.

[And then will follow the certificate of the Court.]

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion (g) that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states.

I of the Court of do hereby certify (h) that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the application of for a pension.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office (i) this day of &c.

If, on examination of the proper record the names of applicants, making such declaration, cannot be found, they will produce such proof as the rule given in note (j) points out.

Every applicant who claims a pension by virtue of service in the State Troops, Volunteers or Militia, except those who belonged to the New Hampshire Militia and State Troops of Virginia, will make and subscribe a declaration similar to the foregoing, with the following additions, viz:

(k) We, A. B., a Clergyman, residing in the and C. D. residing in (the same) hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we believe him to be years of age that he is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

[And then will follow the certificate of the Court.]

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinions, after the investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above named applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier, and served as he states. And the Court further certifies, that it appears to them that A. B. who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman, resident in the and that C. D., who has also signed the same is a resident in the and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

I, Clerk of the Court of do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said Court, in the matter of the application of for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, this day of &c.

Every applicant will produce the best proof in his power. This is the original discharge or commission; but if neither of these can be obtained, the party will so state under oath, and will then procure, if possible, the testimony of at least one credible witness, stating in detail his personal knowledge of the services of the applicant, and such circumstances connected therewith, as may have a tendency to throw light upon the transaction.

If such surviving witness cannot be found, the applicant will so state in his declaration (l) and he will also, whether he produce such evidence or not, proceed to relate all the material facts, which can be useful in the investigation of his claim, and in the comparison of his narrative with the events of the period of his alleged service, as they are known at the Department. A very full account of the services of each person.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., _____, 19____

In reply to your request of _____, received _____ for a statement of the military history of William Carson a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pension on file in this Bureau.

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT.	LENGTH OF SERVICE.	RANK.	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED.		STATE.
			CAPTAIN.	COLONEL.	
March 1777	about 4 yrs	Pvt.	James M. Carson	Wm. Carson	Pa.

Battles engaged in, Monmouth

Residence of soldier at enlistment, Lawrence County Pa.

Date of application for pension, 1878

Residence at date of application, Lawrence County Pa.

Age at date of application, 80

Remarks: These are the data as given to the family

Respectfully,

** from Lomay back*

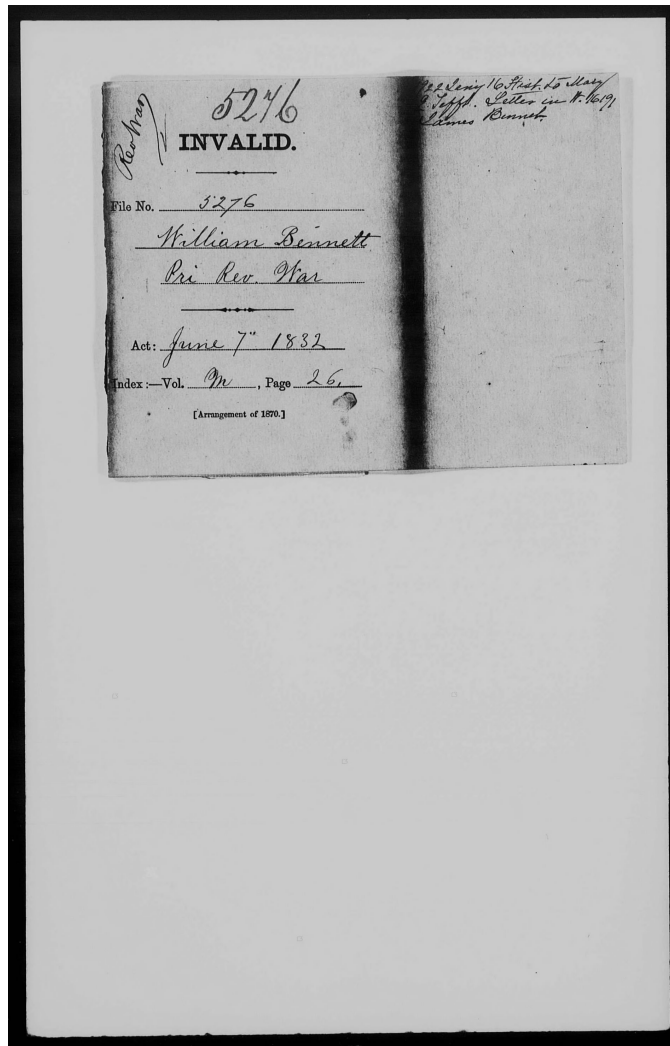
Commissioner.

For Value Received I promise to pay unto William
Bennett the Sum of One Hundred Pounds Current
Money of the State of New York by the first
Day of March Next or Return to him a Deed
that Day given of his Military Right of Land
to one as whereby my and his Seal
of December 1798
in presence of
Samuel ^{his} _{mark} Bedford
David S. Sanford

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