

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joseph Papin VAS118

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

Report upon the claim of Joseph Papin – a Sergeant in the Illinois service – for bounty land for his services

To the Governor

Sir,

The Petitioner has made affidavit to the following facts – to wit – that he enlisted & served three years in the Illinois Regiment, in the war of the Revolution, and that we never received a warrant for the bounty land promised him &c – (see Pet. afft. & other certificate of the justices of the Peace &c)

The Clerk of the Circuit Court of Monroe County – State of Illinois – has certified, that Joseph Papin (as was satisfactorily proved to the said Court, in open Court) was a soldier, in the war of the Revolution, in the Illinois Regiment; and that he was in service between 3 & 4 years, when the Regiment was discharged &c (see the Certificate of David Nowlin, Clk)

It appears, from a Payroll of Captain Francis Charloville's [sic, Francois or Francis Charleville?]¹ Company of Kaskaskia volunteers, that __ Papin (the Christian name not given in the payroll) was a Sergeant in that Company in February 1779. This is the only payroll, which has been preserved of Captain Charloville's [?] Company. (It may be seen in volume 1st Illinois Papers).

The above are all the facts which I have it in my power to report, in relation to this claim.

Respectfully submitted

John H Smith Commissioner &c

June 8th, 1833

State of Illinois and County of St. Clair, this the 6th day of September 1834, I Joseph Papin do certify and declare that I enlisted and served 3 years during the revolution in the Regiment commanded by General – then Colonel George Rogers Clark – I further declare that I never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised me, nor did I ever transfer my claim to it in any manner whatsoever.

S/ Joseph Papin, X his mark

