

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to William Atkinson VAS1186  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#) misfiled with John Ashby VAS1184. Compare William Atkinson VAS1187.]

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Wm. Atkinson has served as a soldier in the Corps commanded by Lt. Colo. [Henry] Lee from 20<sup>th</sup> March 1781 to 31 December of the same year when he was disabled by a number of wounds & has never since joined the Army from that circumstance – he was supposed dead & by that means omitted in the return given to Colo. Meriwether – he was enlisted for the War & was taken from Colo. Campbells [Richard Campbell's 4<sup>th</sup>] Regiment of Virginians & annexed to the Legion.

Jos. Eggleston [Joseph Eggleston]/ Major Lee's Legion

Copy Jno. Pendleton

I DO, with the advice of the Council, hereby certify that William Atkinson about 27 [first digit unclear], late a Private in Lee's Legion, appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the service of The Continent as to entitle him to the sum of Twelve Pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786

GIVEN under my hand at Richmond, this Twentieth day of February 1786.

[signed] P. Henry

Received of Knowles Giles in full for the within value Received of him



Caroline February Court 1788

Ordered that the Sheriff pay William Atkinson his pension of Twelve pounds

John Pendleton DC

Mar 24<sup>th</sup> 1788/ Rec'd the above sum of Twelve Pounds/ [signed] William Atkinson

Rec'd a Warrant of Twenty one Dollars 1814 Mar 26.

Sarah herXmark Atkinson

Admin[istrator] to the state [estate] of

Wm Atkinson deceased

At a Court held for Caroline County at the Court house on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1814. It appears to the Court from the testimony of James Muller and William Seindall upon oath that William Atkinson departed this life the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 1814.

\$60 \$3.33 A Copy Teste Jno. C. Pendleton

Pension due from 25 Jany 1814 to the — day of W. Atkinson death 14 Feby 1814

Jany 18. Recd a warrant of three Dolls 33 cts

Sarah Atkinson X

I hereby certify that William Atkinson a disabled soldier of the revolutionary Army, and who was a pensioner, died on my land (being a tenant) in February 1814, to the best of my knowledge & belief. He left a widow, Sarah Atkinson, & a Daughter, also called Sarah Atkinson.

Given under my hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October 1818.

Lau. Battaile

[From [Library of Virginia Legislative Petitions Digital Collection](#)/ Caroline County]

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the commonwealth of Virginia.

The Petition of William Atkinson of the county of Caroline humbly represents to your honorable body, That in consequence of disabilities received in the service of his Country during the revolutionary war, your Petitioner was placed on the pension list, and has annually received the sum of Forty dollars: But as the Corporeal disabilities of your Petitioner increase with his years, he is less able to labour now than formerly, when aided by the bounty of his Country he could by his own industry support his family. In consideration therefore of the services formerly rendered the Country by your Petitioner, of his having been in great measure deprived of the means of supporting himself and family in that service, and of the old age and infirmities which now press upon your Petitioner, He humbly asks your honourable body to increase his pension to Sixty Dollars, and your Petitioner, as in duty bound will ever pray

William Atkinson

Dec'r 16<sup>th</sup> 1812 ref'd to Claims./ Reasonable Dec'r. 16<sup>th</sup>/ Reported Dec'r 19<sup>th</sup>/ Bill drawn 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec'r 1812

NOTE: At the end of 1781 Lee's Legion was on the outskirts of Charleston SC.