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Petition relating to William Clark VAS1866

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To the Honorable Speakers & Members of the General Assembly of Virginia  
The Petition of William C Anderson, William Croghan and Richard Terrell Executors of William Clark deceased humbly sheweth. That your Petitioners' Testator served as a Lieutenant in Capt. Bailey's [probably Capt. John Baley or Bailey<sup>1</sup>] company in the Illinois Regiment, and upon the reduction of the said Regiment by order of the Executive a number of Soldiers with proper Officers under the command of Major Walls [George Walls or Wales<sup>2</sup>] were retained in the Fort at Louisville for its protection and the stores contained therein, in which service was your Petitioners' Testator until the 15<sup>th</sup> of February 1784, to which time he received his pay as a Lieutenant – but has never received his Commutation – Your Petitioners pray that a Law may pass authorizing the Auditor to issue Certificates for the said commutation – and your Petitioner shall &c

The Petitioner has not received the Commutation of 5 years full pay in lieu of half pay for life.

Auditor's Office

J Pendleton

5 November 1793

[Reverse]

Anderson's Petition

5 November 93

Claims

Reasonable

Special

23<sup>rd</sup> [illegibly faint] 1793

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[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Miscellaneous Chronological Legislative Petitions

To the Hon. the Speakers and Members of the general assembly

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<sup>1</sup> [John Baley \(Baily\) R19354](#)

<sup>2</sup> [George Walls \(Wales\) R18785](#)

The petition of Richard Clough Anderson and Richard Terrell acting Executors of William Clark deceased

Humbly sheweth that your petitioners' decedent was a Lieutenant and Capt. Bailey's Company belonging to the Illinois Regiment and that he continued in the State Service until the end of the war which your Petitioners believe entitled him to the Commutation in like cases allowed other officers, that your petitioners' decedent not having obtained from the Auditor of Public Accounts, Certificates granted in like cases, your petitioners therefore pray that your Honorable house will make do you inquiry into your petitioners' Claim and direct that the Auditor do Issue Certificates for so much as may appear reasonable and right and your Petitioners as in duty bound will pray &c

Lieut. William Clark of the Illinois Regiment was allowed pay to 15 February '84 but he could not have been in Actual Service according to the meaning of the Act of '90 until that time as the Illinois troops were discharge prior to the period fixed by the Act as the end of the War, and besides the Auditor doubts whether the Illinois Regiment was part of the State Line in the said Act mentioned and whether the interest of the decedent in this Case descended to his Representatives.

Auditors Office 12 October 1792

S/ J Pendleton

[Reverse]

Anderson & Terrell's Petition  
October 13<sup>th</sup> 1792  
to Claims  
Reasonable  
Special  
reported 19 [indecipherable] '92