

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Benjamin Basye VAS2421
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[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) in the file of Jesse Basye VAS2422.]

To the Honourable the Executive of Virginia. The petition of Jeremiah Basye Respectfully sheweth, that his Brothers Benjamin and Jesse Basye [VAS2422] inlisted in the year 1775 as soulders in the Revolutionary War in Capt. Jno. Chiltons [John Chilton BLWt519-300] Company in the 3d Virginia Ridgment in the County of Fauquier for Two years he presumes as the Law then Existing onley authorised enlistments for that length of time and were engaged in all the Battles in which that Company was Concerned and afterwards as he is Informed and Believes marched to the South where they died in the Service of their Country unmarried and without Children leaving your petitioner they only Serviving Brother and nearest of kin, in Consequence of this Connexers your petitioner has been endeavouring to obtain whatever of reward has been Vouchsafed to them by their Country for which they gave up their lives, but thus far, has been so unfortunate as not to have succeeded, he therefore again begs leave to present his Claim to your Honourable Body in the hopes that Justice will be done to their Right and to him as their [several words missing] him that portion of Lands secured to them or their Heirs by Law your Petitioner is advised, by those most Conversant with qustions of this sort that the papers which will accompany this petition [see pension application of Jesse Basye VAS2422] will shew that his deceased Brothers were intitled to a Bounty of Lands according to the provisions of Law – that they inlisted for two years at first they were in Service after that period have Expired and after the period when the Act authorising inlistments to be made for three years was ennacd which your petitioner is advised is proof that they Reenlisted after the passage of the latter Law, and of Court according to its provisions your petitioner begs leave futher to state that altho much Time has passed away during which he might have prefered his Claim he was not unmindfull of his right but having Removed out of this State he was not in a situation to incur the Expenche and loss of time, which the attempt would subject him to, and sence he has been endeavoring to obtain it, he has Expended as much money or nearly so, as the Lands would sell for, if he were to obtain it – he therefor Relies under [illegible word] Circumstances his Clam will Receive the Cormtinance[?] and favour your Honourable Body, and his proofs, that liberal Construction which Equity demands – after so great relaps of time, and the Consequent differuctlies in the way of obtaining full and perfect proof in Relation to a subject so nacent – your petitioner begs leave, to state that he was at washington City about Two weeks ago and in the War depatment, where they stated to me that I Should apply to Richmond for my Land warrants and bring them there to be Certify'd – your petitioner &
Jeremiah Basye