

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to James Bethel VAS2503
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

State of Virginia

Nelson County to wit.

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid, Martha Thurmond who being first duly qualified according to law, Declares on oath that she was well acquainted with James Bethel, who was a brother of John Bethel, which said John Bethel is now a resident of Nelson County, Virginia. That at the time she was acquainted with James Bethel, he lived in the capacity of an overseer for her Father, and at that time the said James Bethel had a wife and one child, and at that time the parties lived in the County of Buckingham, State of Virginia


Given under my hand & seal this fourteenth day of June Eighteen hundred & forty two
[signed] Mrtha Thurmond

State of Virginia

Nelson County to wit.

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for the said county, John Bethel who being first duly qualified according to Law, Declares on oath, that James Bethel, William Bethel & Joseph Bethel, were soldiers in the war of the Revolution that he saw all three of them enlist into the service under officer by the name of Gibson in charlottesville in the county of Albemarle. that they served in the Infantry in Continental Service, that all three of them have long since departed this life, and died in the service of the country leaving no issue. That the said John Bethel is the brother and only heir at Law to the said James Bethel, William Bethel and Joseph Bethel. That the said ^or Bethill^ James Bethel, William Bethel and Joseph Bethel he verily believes never did receive their Bounty land and that no one since, entitled to it, has received it. That he claims the same as heir at Law, of said James Bethel, of said William Bethel, & of said Joseph Bethel. Given from under my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of June 1842

Sometimes spelled Bethill
Sworn to and subscribed before me
James Woods JP.



James Bethill soldier in the infantry in continental Line
William Bethel d'o in the infantry in continental service taken from the war register.