

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to William Oliver VAS337

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

The heirs of William Oliver pray an allowance of bounty land for Revolutionary services – They file the deposition of Captain Thomas Oliver, (his brother but not one of his Ayers) proving that he enlisted under one Carr in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment in 1777 or '78 and served 3 years.

Richard D Webb  
for the heirs

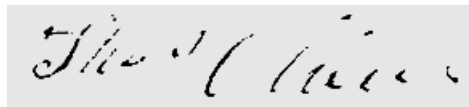
August 11 1834

I think it highly probable that the witness, Captain Thomas Oliver, is personally known to the Governor – if not, however, I would take occasion to save that he is a man of unexceptionable character.

Richard D Webb

I, Thomas Oliver of the County of Nansemond and County of Virginia, do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with William Oliver of said County & State, that said William Oliver was my brother – that he enlisted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment as a soldier about the year 1777 or '78 under a recruiting officer by the name of Carr, for three years and left this part of the Country soon after his enlistment, and was gone upwards of three years – The said William Oliver lived near me before & after the revolution, and I have heard him say that he was at the battle of Monmouth, and at the battle of Trenton, and at several other battles not now recollected – and that he served three years in the regular Army in the revolutionary War and was honorably discharged.

Thos Oliver



[attested June 6, 1834 in Nansemond County Virginia]

The Petition of the A heirs of William Oliver, Soldier of the Continental line, for bounty land –

The name of William Oliver appears twice on the Army Register of the Continental line – (see Army Register).

Thomas Oliver, a respectable witness, says that he was well acquainted with William Oliver of Nansemond County – that he was his Brother – That he enlisted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment about the year 1777 or 1778, under a recruiting officer named Carr, for three years – and was absent from home more than three years – that he the said William Oliver often said in

the presence of the witness, That he was at the Battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778, Trenton  
[December 26, 1776] and several other battles & that he served 3 years in the regular Army &  
was honorably discharged –

To Governor Tazewell

Respectfully submitted  
John H Smith, Commissioner &c  
August 11, 1834

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Addendum to William Oliver VAS337

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 10 Dec 2020.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Olliver, William.]

William Olliver a Soldier of the 2<sup>d</sup> Virginia State Regiment having served the term of Three years for which he was Inlisted is hereby discharged the service. Given under my Hand at Williamsburg tis 1 day  
May 1780

W. Brent Colo [William Brent VAS2639]

A Copy Teste Cha. Jones Ck. A.

Del'd Cox W Reddick