

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Berriah West VAS4920
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I Certify that I enlisted Berriah West the 20th day of Dec'r 1776 for three years in Colo Chas Harrison's
[Charles Harrison VAS1411] Reg't of Artillery and that he served that time as a Corporal faithfully and
was legally discharged at Morris Town in Jearsey [Morristown NJ] 20th Dec'r 1779

Anth'y Singleton [Anthony Singleton BLWt2068-300]
then Capt Artill'y
Richmond 4th Ap'l 1786



[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#).]

City of Richmond to Wit

This day [24 June 1834] Mary West personally appeared before me a Magistrate of the City
Aforesaid and made oath that she was well acquainted with Berriah West in his Life time who served in
the Revolutionary War from the Commencement to the End in the year 1783 as she had often heard him
say that he served in a Comp'y of Artillery Commanded by A Singleton that she had heard the said West
relate many Circumstances that took place during the War, that he was in the battle of Monmouth in 1778
[28 Jun 1778], that he was at the siege of York in Va and discharged from the Army after the Surrender of
Lord Cornwallis's army [19 Oct 1781]

This affidavit is made for the purpose of Establishing the Claim of the heirs of the late Berriah West to the
land allowed soldiers that served from the Commencement to the Close of the Revolutionary War
Mary herXmark West

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the
Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received
Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November
Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 4th day of April 1786, in the name of Berriah West as a
Corporal of Artillery for £44.2.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was
given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 7th day of July 1834.

Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

NOTE: A report by John H. Smith, Commissioner of Revolutionary Claims, stated, "It is probable, this is
a good claim, but the evidence of the time of enlistment & service does not appear to be satisfactory."