

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to William Woodford VAS5085
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The Sate of Ohio Fayette County ss

Before me James Vance an acting Justice of the peace in an for said County. Personally came Joseph Parret Seinor [W4108] who being Duly Sworn according to Law Deposeth and Sayeth that he knew William Woodford of Virginia and has Reason to believe that he was a Soldier in the Revolution war in the Virginia Line his officers not Recolected and further this Deponent Sayeth not
[Certified in Washington, Fayette County OH, 4 March 1834]



The State of Ohio } ss

Warren County } On this 3rd day of July in the year A.D. 1834 before me Benjamin Blackburn a Justice of the peace of the county aforesaid personally came John Lincoln Sen who being duly sworn doth on his oath depose and say that he was well acquainted with a certain William Woodford of Rockingham County and State of Virginia and know that he was a regular Soldier in the Revolutionary War the time of his inlistment or discharge or who were his officers if he ever did know he has forgotten deponant says he knew him before his enlistment and saw and knew him in Philadelphia while he was in the Regular Service guarding a number of British prisoners in the new jail a good proportion of whom were taken by General [Anthony] Wayne at Stoney Point [Stony Point 16 Jul 1779] and he deponant was then in the 25th year of his age deponant says he knew said William Woodford and wife in Rockingham County for years after the war and although his business enabled him to form an extensive acquaintance with the people of that County and adjacent he never knew a man of the name of William Woodford besides himself – deponant says he does not recollect knowing any of his children; deponant says that the wife of William Woodford was by the name he thinks and believes of Fanny Woodford. and further deponant saith not
[signed] John Lincoln senr

State of Virginia }

Harrison County } To wit

Know all men by thes presents that We the under Signed heir of William Woodford Decsed late of the County and State aforesaid Who was the only son and leagel representif of William Woodford late of the County of Rockingham who was an inlested soldier during the revolutionary war do hereby authorise and Empower Woldo P Goff of the County and State aforesaid our agent and attorney to demand and recive from the Register of the land office of Virginia aney and all Warrants for military Bounty Land due to us for services of the said William Woodford our granFather as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War With power to appoin one or more Substitutes under him with the foresaid powers and all the acts of our said agent or of his Substitute We will ratify and Confirm by thise presents as Witness our hands and seal this 26th day of December A D 1834

Test/ Elzy coplin/ John tolbert

[signed]	John H Woodford	Jacob Woodford
Robert tolbert	George Woodford	William Woodford

State of Virginia }

Harrison County } To Wit

Be It known that John H Woodford and Jacob Woodford and Robert Tolbert and Marry Tolbert George Woodford and William Woodford personally appeared Before Me Jacob Coplin a Justice of the peace In and for the County of Harrison in the State of Virginia and Severally acknowledged the Fore going power

of attorney to be their agt and Deed In testimony I have hereunto set My hand and Seal this the 26th Day of December in the year AD 1834
Jacob Coplin JP

Report upon the claim of the heirs of Wm Woodford dec'd Soldier of the Continental line, for bounty land for his services.

To the Governor Sir,

Wm. Woodfords name is not on the army Register. It does not appear from any public documents, to which I have access, that he serv'd long enough to be entitled to bounty land, or that he was a soldier in the regular, Continental, service.

The Petitioners rely upon the testimony of Witnesses. Joseph Parret, one of the witnesses, proves nothing. John Lincoln, another witness, know's that Wm. Woodford was a regular Soldier, in the Revolutionary war – he knew him in service, in Philadelphia, in the fall of the year 1777 But does not know when he was enlisted or discharg'd. Mary Lanie [statement not found] – a third witness, says that she was well acquainted with Wm. Woodford of Rockingham County. She knows that he was a regular soldier enlisted for the war of the Revolution – that he serv'd 5 years, or more, and was discharged on account of a wound received in one of his legs – that she was with the said Woodfords wife in Philadelphia, whilst he was in serve there, and return'd with them, after his discharge, to Rockingham County, in Virginia. a Justice of the Peace has certified, that she is entitled to full faith and credit. (see the affidavits of the above nam'd witnesses.)

Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r.

&c/ May 28th 1835

Rejected June 4, 1835

NOTE: If the above testimony is correct, Fanny Woodford, wife of William Woodford, was one of the few camp followers whose names are known.