

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Daniel Leet VAS879

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

State of Maryland Allegheny County: St.

Be it remembered that on the day of the date hereof, Benjamin Tomlinson, Esquire of the said County, appeared before me in my said County, and being duly sworn deposes and says, that he the said Benjamin is now aged between eighty-one and eighty-two years – that having gone to the Western part of the State of Virginia and settled on the banks of the Ohio River, before the commencement of the Revolutionary War, where he remained until about the year 1781, when he removed to the place of his present residence, in the said County of Allegheny, he had an intimate acquaintance with most of the people who settled at that day, in what are now Washington and Allegheny Counties, Pennsylvania and Ohio and Brooke Counties [sic], Virginia. – That amongst others, affiant was intimately acquainted with Daniel Leet, late of Washington County Pennsylvania. Affiant's acquaintance with said Leet commenced as early as the year 1772, when he the said Leet resided at or near what was then called Catfish Camp, and is now the Sight of the Town of Washington in said County of Washington. Affiant further states that the said Leet was actively engaged in the military service in the Western Frontier from nearly the commencement, if not the very commencement, of the Revolutionary War, during the first years of the war, and having gone East at the subsequent period thereof as herein after stated, and as this affiant always understood and believed, and now believes, remained in the service until the end of the War: – That said Leet joined, or was attached to, what was then called the Twelfth Virginia Regiment, at the time of its original organization, or very shortly afterwards – said Leet was an officer in that Regiment, and what grade affiant is not now entirely certain, having never so far as he recollects seeing his commission, but his recollection is, and he feels confident that he was a Lieutenant when he first entered said Regiment as aforesaid, and that he was called and understood to be such at that day. Affiant further states that he understood that said Leet was promoted during his continuance in the service, he thinks he became a Major – was called and known in the County, and about what was then Fort Pitt, where he was for the most part while said Regiment remained in the West, on duty, as Major Daniel Leet. Affiant further states that the 12th Virginia Regiment aforesaid, some considerable time before the close of the War, was ordered to join the Army somewhere East of the Mountains, he always understood at someplace in New Jersey. He knows that Major Leet marched with the Regiment at that time, and that he continued in the service in that country for some time, and as he always understood and believed and still believes, until the end of the War. Affiant further states that

before the Revolution, said Leet acted as one of the Deputy Survey errors in what was then Yohioghany County, Virginia and that he made the original survey of the lands he, said affiant, owned and occupied on the Ohio River, opposite the mouth of Yellow Creek – that from these and other circumstances, he became well acquainted with him personally, as well as by reputation. – That from his said acquaintance, he always thought, as he always understood from others who were in the service with him, that Major Leet was a brave, meritorious and efficient officer – Affiant has frequently seen Major Leet while in the service at Fort Pitt, in his uniform – and that he appeared generally to be actively engaged in the service & &c
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of
 September 1834 S/ Jacob Snyder

[pp 5-8: Report dated August 17, 1835 from John H Smith, Commissioner, to the Governor of Virginia. The images of this document are split so as to make them virtually indecipherable as posted online.]

[pp 9-13: The petition of the heirs of the veteran for his bounty land is posted by split images online and I have not attempted to decipher them.]

[pp 19-20]

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 30th day of April 1785, in the name of Daniel Leete [sic], as a Brigade Major for £201.19.6, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to Mr. Tannahill and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

To Wit, pay as Q. Master from 1st January to 1st Oct following as Pay Master from 1st Oct. 77 to 21st Sept. 78 & as Brig. Major 21st Sept. 78 to 21st Dec. at 60 Dollars

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
 26th day of June 1837.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

The United States Int Account		With D	with List	6
To pay as Q Master from this date to the first of Oct following at 30 3/4 Dollars	82 1/2	By pay & subsistence	in account of	277 1/2
" do pay Master from 1st Oct 77 to the 21st Sept 1778 at 20 Dollars per Annum	116 8	" Goods from Gov	under terms	16 2 1/2
To pay as Brigadier Major from 21st Sept 1778 to 21st of Dec at 60 Dollars	54	" Certificates	" Gov	201 19 6

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 6-p file

The claim of Daniel Leet is resubmitted with additional Certificates, Should the circumstance of

Major Leet's having been left out of the Line of the Army by reduction of the regiments, without having actually performed quite 3 years service be the objection to the Claim, the records of the Land Office show that it has been heretofore the practice of the Executive to allow such Claims – His becoming a supernumerary was the Act of the Government he helped not in justice to suffer by it.

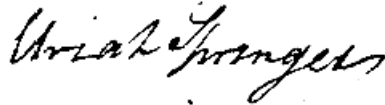
I certify that Daniel Leet was appointed a Lieutenant in the Thirteenth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment in November 1776 and that he also did the duty of quarter master to said Regiment for some time, then that of pay master and that in the year, and that in the year [sic] 1778 or 79 he did the duty of Brigade Major to the Army under the command of General Lachlan McIntosh, in the Western Department. – About this time an arrangement took place, reducing the number of regiments, and the said Daniel Leet was left out of the line of the Army by this arrangement.

S/Uriah Springer
late a Captain in the Virginia line on Continental
establishment

June 6th 1822

I do swear that the above Certificate is a true statement of the facts therein stated.

S/ Uriah Springer



I Certify it appears from a list of such of the names of the Soldiers of the Virginia state line on Continental establishment as received Certificates for the balance of their full pay agreeably to Act of Assembly passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 30th day of April 1785 in the name of Daniel Leete Brigade Major for £201.19

S/ J. E. Heath
Auditors Office
June 21, 1822

[From [Digital Library of Virginia](#)] Ohio County Legislative Petitions

The Honorable the Representatives of the free men of the Commonwealth of Virginia in General assembly met

The Petition of Daniel Leet, one of the Inhabitants late of the County of Ohio, Humbly Sheweth, That your Petitioner had an Appointment in the year 1776 as Quarter Master in the 13th Virginia Regiment and after about one years service, was Prefer'd to Pay Master, and continued nearly two years, until the Staff of the Army was reduced, and taken from the Line, which change left Your Petitioner out, But was Appointed Brigade Major to General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh], on the Western Expedition, at the close of which is service as a Virginia Officer ended. But continued on the Frontier a volunteer at his own expense, in every Emergency and expedition against the Indians, from Fort Pitt and it's Dependencies (Save that of the Moravians) was Major to Colonel Crawford [William Crawford] at his defeat on the Sandusky Plains [June 4-6, 1782] –

Your Petitioner calling to mind his Service in the late war, from the commencement to the end, is encouraged to Pray that an Allowance of Land may be granted him, equal to those of his Rank, which he is now deprived of by the different appointments he served in, Especially by the Staff of the Army being left out by a Resolve of Congress a very short time before his service entitled him to Land. & Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray

Pennsylvania Washington County

We the undersigned do hereby certify that the facts set forth in the within Petition are Just and True of our knowledge as far as relates to his Conduct after leaving the Army the fall [?] of General Macintosh's Campaign, that he has kept both active and useful on the frontiers, as to his service in the Continental Army we know no further of that matter than that he entered the service at the time of Raising the 13th Virginia Regiment, and returned at the time above mentioned,

Witness our hands this 29th day of November 1784

S/ Dorsey Penticoat

S/ John Canon

S/ Van Swearingen

The image shows three handwritten signatures in cursive script, stacked vertically. The top signature is 'Dorsey Penticoat', the middle is 'John Canon', and the bottom is 'Van Swearingen'. The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and characteristic of the 18th century.

[Reverse]

Leets Petition

December 10th, 1785

Referred to Propositions

Rejected