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Pension application of William Russell VAS91

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[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

The Deposition of James Thorrington [?] Aged seventy-eight or theirabouts [sic, thereabouts] being first duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was well Acquainted with certain William Russell, Elijah Ross and a Lewis Linton said Russell, Ross and Linton enlisted under the command of Captain Thomas Snead in the Revolution, Joined the 9th Regiment marched to the North he knew them in the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] Trenton [December 26, 1776] &c. And that said Russell died in Philadelphia in prison. And that said Ross and Linton returned home with himself after serving three years with honor And further the deponent sayeth not

Test

S/ James Thorrington, X his mark

Petition for bounty land

William Russell }

Elijah Ross }

Lewis Linton }

Solds. C. L. [Soldiers Continental Line]

William Russell's name is on the wrong [?] Register [?] as a Soldier of Infantry, also as a Soldier of Artillery. Elijah Ross's name has not been found. Lewis Linton settled his accounts, & received pay down to March 1783 (for Linton's settlement – see Andrew Drummond Book on file in the Ex. dept.)

James Thorrington (there is no certificate of his credibility) proves that he knew them, those soldiers that they enlisted in Captain Thomas Snead's Company of the night Virginia Regiment & marched to the North – they were in the battles of Brandywine – Trenton etc. That Russell died in Philadelphia in prison & Ross & Linton returned home with the witness, after having served 3 years [indecipherable word or words]

Respectfully submitted

S/ John H. Smith Comr.

May 16th 1834

To his Excellency
Gov. Tazewell