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CAPTAIN JOHN MARTIN'S MILITIA COMPANY ATTACHED TO GEN. GEORGE ROGERS CLARK'S ILLINOIS REGIMENT, 22 MARCH 1783

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[E. M. Sanchez-Saavedra (*A Guide to Virginia Military Organizations in the American Revolution, 1774-1787*. Westminster MD: Heritage Books, 1978) describes the origin of the Illinois Regiment as follows: "The largest and most complex unit raised by Virginia during the Revolution began its existence in January 1778 as a special militia regiment for the defense of the Western Department. Governor Patrick Henry's instructions to Lieutenant-Colonel Clark on January 2, 1778, authorized him to raise seven companies of fifty men each and to attack the British outpost of Kaskaskia on the Mississippi. Clark was also ordered to establish a post on the Falls of the Ohio." (The Falls of the Ohio are at present Louisville in Kentucky, which was then a part of Virginia.)

In January 1781 Col. Clark went to eastern Virginia where he was commissioned a Brigadier General by Gov. Thomas Jefferson and helped repel an invasion by Benedict Arnold. Clark then returned to the Falls of Ohio, and from April through November of that year he led a punitive expedition against the Shawnee Indians. During the period covered by the following payroll the Illinois Regiment continued the struggle with Indians for control of the Northwest Territory. On 10 Nov 1782 it burned Piqua, Standing Stone, and other Shawnee towns in the last battle of the Revolutionary War. Capt. John Martin's company was attached to the Illinois Regiment at that time, but according to Patrick Brown's pension application (S16325) it does not appear to have been directly engaged in the main battle: "Entered Service as Volunteer in the month of August 1782 with Capt John Martin, Lieutenant Thomas Montgomery & Col. Ben Logan - Marched from Lincoln County to Lexington - thence to Bryant's station thence to the Blue Licks - thence returned home - Served as Sergeant Major in October of the same year under Col. Ben Logan, Lieutenant Col. John Logan & Major McGaley - Marched from Lincoln County by Lexington thence by Bryant's Station - to the mouth of Licking river where Genl. Clarke took the command, crossed the river and went to New Chillicothe [New Chillicothe] on the Little Miami river, thence returned home - had some Skirmishing but no regular battle."

An image of the original payroll is at <http://www.fold3.com/image/#24619649910>.]

Pay Roll of Captain John Martins Company of Militia on the late Indian expedition under the Command of Brigadier General George Rogers Clarke.

Persons names	Rank	when join'd	when dischg'd	No of days in Service	pay pr Day		Totals		Casu alties
John Martin	Capt	1782 Octr 22 ^d	1782 Novr 26 th	36	5/	£9	0	0	
Thomas Montgomery	Lieut	Ditto	Ditto	36	2/	3	12	6	
James Craig	Ensign	Ditto	Ditto	36	2/	3	12	0	
Wm Montgomery jr [William Montgomery, Jr]	Adj't	Ditto	Ditto	36	2/7	4	13	0	
Patrick Brown [S16325]	S Major	Ditto	Ditto	36	2/	3	12	0	
Wm Montgomery Sr [William Montgomery, Sr]	Q Master	Ditto	Ditto	36	2/3	4	1	0	
John McAnnally [John McAnally]	Sergt	Ditto	Ditto	36	1/4	2	8	0	
Hugh Logan	Private	Ditto	Ditto	36	1/4	2	8	0	
Joseph Russell	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
John King	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
James Asby	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Wm McCormack [William McCormack]	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Wily Asby	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Andrew Miller	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
John Sloane	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
John Estis	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Samuel Craig	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
John Burley	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Samuel Carroll	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Zachariah Stull	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
John Cochran	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
James Paul	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
William Neale	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	
Daniel Hugens	Do	Ditto	Ditto	36		2	8	0	

John Martin Capt. March 22^d 1783. This day Captn. John Martin proved on oath that the above pay role is just.

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Benj'n Logan Majis' t. [Benjamin Logan Magistrate]

I do certify the above service was performed./ Benj'n Logan County Lieut.

John Martin Capt.