

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

CAPTAIN ROBERT TODD'S COMPANY OF FOOT OF THE ILLINOIS REGIMENT, 21 OCT 1781

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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, including the period covered by the following payroll, he led a punitive expedition against the Shawnee Indians. On 10 Nov 1782 it burned Piqua, Standing Stone, and other Shawnee towns in the last battle of the Revolutionary War. In April 1783 command transferred from Gen. Clark to Maj. George Walls, under whom the Illinois Regiment continued to defend the frontier until about 1786.

Additional details regarding the Illinois Regiment may be found in the pension applications noted in brackets in the following transcription. Remarks that were in a separate column in the payroll are placed at the bottom in the transcription. The transcription was made from the images at <http://www.fold3.com/image/#246|9649931> et seq.]

A Pay Roll of Capt Robert Todds Company of Foot of the Illinois Battallion formerly Commanded by Colo now Gen'l Clarke and now by Lt Colo Montgomery [John Montgomery R16522].

No	Names	Rank	When men Enlisted	Time of Enlistment when expired	No of Days	Pay pr Day	Am	ou	nt
1	Robert Todd [R18517]	Capt	Decr 20 1778						
2	John Roberts [R17483]	Lieut	Decr 31 1778						
3	William Usher	Sergt	Jany 9 1779	June 1780 1st	153	1/7 1/5	12	4	93/5
4	David Hicks	Do	Feby 25 "	June 1780 1st	160	1/7 1/5	12	16	8
5	Henry Crutcher	Vol	Mar 20 "	Do	41	1/4	2	14	8
6	Richard Clark [X149]	Do	Mar 15 "	Do	77	1/4	5	2	8
7	Joseph Saunders	Do	Mar 15 "	Do	88	1/4	5	17	4
8	Lawrence Slaughter	Do	Mar 15 "	Do	88	1/4	5	17	4
9	Alexander McRoberts	Do	Mar 15 "	Do	88	1/4	5	17	4
10	John Barbie	Sol'r	Mar 15 "	Do	148	1/4	9	17	4
11	Lewis Pines		Jany 13 "	June 1780 1st	503	1/4	33	10	8
12	Christ'r Lightholder [Christopher Lightholder]		Apl 11 "	June 1780 1st					
13	Randolph White		Jany 8 "	June 1780 1st	500	1/4	33	6	8
14	Joseph Roberts		Jany 8 "	Do	508	1/4	33	17	4
15	William Hall		Jany 13 "	Do	503	1/4	33	10	8
16	James Kirtley		Jany 19 "	Do	497	1/4	33	2	8
17	Larkin Ballinger		Jany 19 "	Do	497	1/4	33	2	8
18	James Ballinger		Jany 19 "	Do	497	1/4	33	2	8
19	Fredk Zimmerman [Frederick Zimmerman W8374]		Jany 19 "	Do	497	1/4	33	2	8
20	Edward Doherty		Jany 25 "	Do	491	1/4	32	18	
21	Samuel Johnson		Jany 28 "	Do	488		32	10	8
22	Thomas Kirk [possibly W7992]		Feby 4 "	Do	481		33	1	4
23	William Potter		Jany 14 "	Do	502		33	9	4
24	Henry Phillips		Jany 14 "	Do	502		33	9	4
25	John Vaughan		Mar 18 "	Do	439		29	5	4

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26	John Williams		Mar 10 "	Do	447		29	16	
27	William Kerr		Mar 27 "	Do	430		28	13	4
28	Hugh Young		Apl 10 "	Do	416		27	14	8
29	John Fox		Jany 13 "	Do					
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Remarks

- [2 John Roberts] Lt. Roberts sent a recruiting Augt 11 1779 & never returned
- [2 William Usher] Discharged a Kaskaski [Kaskaskia] June 12th
- [5 Henry Crutcher] Discharged May 1<sup>st</sup> 1779 he bieng by his being Qr Mr [Quarter Master]
- [6 Richard Clark] Appointed Ensign June 1st 1779
- [7 Joseph Saunders] Disch'd by Colo Clark & rec'd as Ensg' recruiting instructions June 12 1779
- [8 Lawrence Slaughter] Rec'd Ensig' recruiting instructions June 12 1779
- [9 Alexander McRoberts] Alex'r McRoberts Vol let go home by Colo Clark 12 June 1779
- [10 John Barbie] Disch'd by reason of infirmness Augt 11 1779
- [12 Christopher Lightholder] Deserted at Kaskaski to the Spaniards June 10 1779
- [14 Joseph Roberts] Appointed Sergeant August 10 1779
- [29 John Fox] Deserted a few days after his enlistment

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October 21 1781 to Wit

Capt Robert Todd was this day duly qualified to the within pay roll before me one of the Justices of Fayette County. Given under my hand. Jno Todd jr

October 22<sup>nd</sup> Lincoln

The within pay roll is certified & approved of by Jno Montgomery Lt Colo

G R Clarke

I do hereby certify that the pay roll of Captain Robert Todd's company on the other side is truly copied from what seems to be an original roll among the Illinois papers in this office. I further certify that the above is copied from endorsements on said roll. Given under my hand at the 1<sup>st</sup> Auditors office of Virginia this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 1849.

Jas. E. Heath 1<sup>st</sup> Aud'r Va.