



[The following discharge is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

War Office, 1783:

These are to certify that the bearer hereof William Kelly a private in the first artillery regiment having faithfully served the United States from the 28<sup>th</sup> March 1781 to this date and being inlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American army. Given at the war office the 8<sup>th</sup> July 1783. By order of the secretary at war. B Lincoln [Gen. Benjamin Lincoln]

Jos. Carleton sec'y

Registered in the books of the regiment/  
[other side]

William Eskridge [W4192], Lieut & Adjut[ant]

The within certificate shall not avail the bearer as a discharge until the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace, previous to which time, and until proclamation thereof shall be made, he is to be considered on furlough.

B. Lincoln

I certify that William Kelly a soldier in the 1<sup>st</sup> regiment of artillery has received but four months pay since his inlistment.

J. Drew [John Drew BLWt981-100] Lt 1<sup>st</sup> Reg't Art'y

A Copy/ Cha. Jones Ck. A Office

NOTE: A document in the file lists the heirs of William Kelly as follows: Daniel Kelley, Richard Kelley, and Nancy Smith of Ralph Smith.