

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Bounty Land Claim for Valentine Peyton BLWt2241-300

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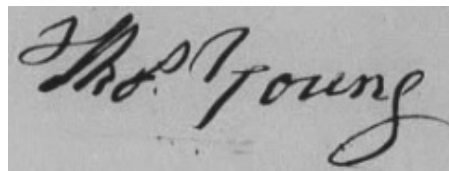
To Valentine Peyton Esquire Greeting. We reposing especial trust and confidence in your Patriotism, Valour, Conduct and Fidelity, DO by these presents constitute and appoint you, to be a Captain in the third Virginia Regiment in the Army of the United States, to take rank as such from the fourth day of October A.D. 1777; You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of a Captain by doing and performing all manner of things, thereunto belonging. And are to Strictly charge and require all Officers and Soldiers, under your command to be obedient to your orders, as Captain and you are to observe and follow such orders and directions from time to time, as you shall receive from this, or a future Congress of the United States or Committee of Congress for that purpose appointed, a Committee of the States of Commander in chief for the time being of the Army of the United States, or any other your Superior Officers, according to the rules and discipline of War, in pursuance of the trust reposed in you. This Commission to continue in force until revoked by this, or a future Congress, the Committee of Congress beforementioned, or a Committee of the States.

Entered in the War Office                      Witness His Excellency, John Jay Esq'r President of the Congress  
and examined by the Board                      of the United States of America, at Philadelphia the 20<sup>th</sup> day of Attest  
March 1779, and in the third Year of our Independence.

[illegible signature] Secretary of the Board of War

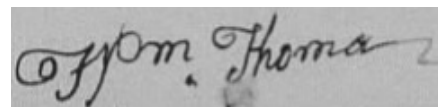
State of Kentucky }  
County of Mason } SS

I Thomas Young [S11921] aged about Eighty Two years do upon Oath declare that I was well acquainted with Capt. Val. Payton and say that I knew him in the revolutionary war in the commencement of the year 1776 that I believe he entered the service for during the war in the Virginia Cont'l. Line and served untill I understood he was slain in the battle at Charleston South Carolina in the year 1780 [siege of Charleston, 1 Apr - 12 May 1780] and further saith not. Given under my hand this 5th day of October 1833.



State of Kentucky

Bourbon County Sct. Be it know that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 1833, Personally appeared before me one of the Commonwealths Justices of the peace for said County William Thomas aged Ninety two years and made oath according to Law that he was well acquainted with Valentine Payton of Prince William County and state of Virginia in the year 1776. that he was Captain in the Continental line in the revolutionary war, and he saw said Payton in the \_\_\_ Regiment at Dumfries in Virginia the last time that he saw said Capt Val. Payton and he afterwards understood that he Val Payton was killed by the enemy in Carolina.



At a Court held for Fauquier County, on the 27th day of May 1834

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court by evidence this day exhibited, that Valentine Peyton who was a Captain in the Revolutionary war left at his death no children, and that Timothy Peyton who was his elder brother was his heir at Law, and that the said Timothy Peyton died about the year 1786 or 1787, leaving the following children viz: Scithia, who intermarried with Archibald Marshall, Nancy, who intermarried with William Mallory, Frances Elizabeth who intermarried with Baylis Grigsby, and Valentine S. Peyton, that Archibald Marshall has since died, and that Frances Elizabeth Grigsby has also since died leaving only one child viz: Sally, who has intermarried with Alfred Rector, and that the said Sally and her husband are both living in Fauquier County, Virginia. On the motion of the said Alfred Rector, the same is ordered to be certified.

At the December Term of the Bourbon County Court in the State of Kentucky on the first day of December 1834.

It was proved to the satisfaction of the Court by the Testimony of Edward McConnell a resident of this County who is known to the court as a man of respectability and entitled to credit, that Valentine S. Peyton, Ann T. Mallory wife of William Mallory of Bourbon County Kentucky, Scynthia Ann Matson widow of James Matson Deceased of Nelson County Kentucky, and Alfred Rector and Sarah Rector his wife late Sarah Grigsby the only child of Baylis Grigsby by his deceased wife Frances Elizabeth Grigsby late Frances Elizabeth Peyton of Fauquier County, Virginia, are the only heirs at law of timothy Peyton deceased, who was the brother and only heir of Valentine Peyton dec'd. who is reputed to have been a Captain in the Revolutionary war. It was further proven to the satisfaction of the Court that the said William Mallory the husband of the said Ann T. Mallory has been absent from this state for twelve years past and his residence in unknown, all which is ordered to be certified.

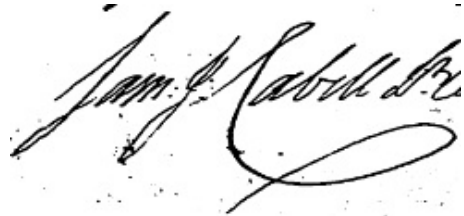
[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do certify that Capt Valentine Peyton Dec'd. entered into the service in 1776 & continued till he was killed in Charles Town the 10th May 1780 (Eighty)

June 5th 1783.

Sam'l. J. Cabell Lt. Col. 4 V. Reg't.

[Samuel Jordan Cabell ]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sam'l. J. Cabell Lt. Col.", written in dark ink on a light background.

NOTES:

Note that Peyton's commission was made retroactive.

On 9 June 1898 Anne T. Mallory stated that "Sitha ann Matson originally Sitha ann Peyton intermarried with Archebald Marshall about the year 1790 and the s'd Archebald Marshall departed this life about the year 1815 and that the said Sitha Ann Matson afterwards towit about the year 1826 intermarried with James Matson and that he the said Matson also died about two years afterward."

The pension application of Joseph Bowling (W25257) includes a discharge allegedly signed by Capt. "Valuntine Paton" of the 3<sup>rd</sup> VA Reg. about five weeks after the date of death stated above.