

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant record relating to Bartholomew Von Heer BLWt2275-300 f1PA
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(and Continental?) Von Heer, Bartholomew,¹ BLWt2275-300 Capt.
Issued July 30, 1789
no papers²

[Note: The Continental Congress created the Provost Corps by act passed May 20, 1778 and on June 1, 1778, George Washington appointed Capt. Von Heer to command the new Corps which Washington designated as the Marechausee, a term used in the French Army for its military police or Provost Corps. I have included Von Heer and men in his company in this database because the company was with General Washington at Yorktown (October 19, 1781) and many of the men served in Washington's Life Guard. There are a number of pension applications referring to Von Heer and Washington's Life Guard.

For an excellent article on the Provost Corps/Marechausee, see
<https://army.togetherweserved.com/army/servlet/tws.webapp.WebApp?cmd=ShadowBoxProfile&type=BattleMemoryExt&ID=58524> (viewed 6/21/23).]

[Note: The following document appears in the file of John Ignatius Effinger³ W7987, p 21:

Ignaz Effinger Dragoon having been inlisted in the Service of the United States of America in the year 1778 Aug. 1st For the Space of three years ending Aug. 1st 1781 under my Troop of Light Dragoons & having served his full Time agreeably to his Enlistment is hereby discharged from the Service as he has applied for it & not willing to Serve any longer in the Troop –

I do hereby recommend him to all military & Civilian Officers & other persons, he has behaved during his period as a good & faithfull Soldier. That he deserves to be forwarded on every Occasion

Given under my Hand
Reading August 1st, 1781

S/ Barth w von Heer
Capt. of Light
Dragoon

S/ Jacob Mytinger
Lut. L. D.
S/ Philippe Strubing
Lieut. of L: D:

¹ <https://allthingsliberty.com/2014/10/bartholomew-von-heer-and-marechausee-corps/> (viewed 6/21/23)

² The reason there are no surviving papers relating to this bounty land claim is that the offices of the War Department along with the papers filed there were destroyed by fire in 1800 and all pension and bounty land records predating that fire were destroyed. Further, pension and bounty land papers generated between the fire of 1800 and 1814 were lost when the British burned Washington DC on August 14, 1814.

³ John Ignatius Effinger W7987. His pension application is not in this database because he was discharged in August 1781 before Von Heer marched his Troop to Yorktown to participate in the capture of Cornwallis at Yorktown in October 1781. Veterans must have lived or served in the South to be included in our database.

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David Maffinger
Lieut. Col. of
Philippe Strubing
Lieut. of L. D.

Barthel-son Keer
Capt. of Light
Dragoon

