

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Mark Thomas¹ R18446

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Pension Office

February 12, 1838

I certify that I have examined the claim presented in this Office in the case of the Heirs of Mark Thomas, deceased, who was a Captain in the Battalion of the Virginia State Troops commanded by Major George Slaughter^{of Crockett's Regiment}, That said Thomas served till December 1781, when he became a supernumerary; that he died in the year 1813 in the month of May; that the case is embraced by the act of Congress passed on the 5th of July 1832, entitled "an act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia;" that the claim should be allowed at the rate of \$240 per annum, from the 22nd of April 1783, when the war terminated, to the first of May 1813, during which month he died; and that the amount is payable to William S. Scott, administrator of said mark Thomas, deceased.

Approved

Secretary of War

Commissioner of Pensions

Pension Office

December 17, 1845

I certify that I have examined the claim of the administrator of Mark Thomas, deceased, who was a Captain in the Virginia State Troops during the revolution; and I find that under the act of July 5, 1832, entitled "an act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia," half-pay has been allowed from the 22nd of April 1783, Half-pay is now claimed from the 31st of December 1781, when he left the service. It is my opinion that the claim should be allowed. I therefore certify that half-pay is still due at the rate of \$240 per annum from the 31st of December 1781 to the 22nd of April 1783; and that the amount is payable to Henry Northup attorney of William S Scott, administrator of said Mark Thomas, deceased.

Approved

Secretary of War

Commissioner of Pensions

¹ See N. A. Acc. No. 874 050172 Half Pay Mark Thomas VA Half Pay

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Addendum to Mark Thomas R18446

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 19 March 2022.

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

State of Kentucky } Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for
Shelby County } said County Captain Benjamin Roberts [S31343] who being duly sworn saith that
he was a Captain of Slaughters Battalion of Crocketts Regiment of the Virginia State line of the Army of
the Revolution and he says that Wm Asher [William Asher VAS2306] was an Ensign of either his or Capt
Mark Thomas Company of the said Battalion and Regiment. he is not possitive to which Company he
belonged but believes that it was to his (Roberts Company) And he says that the said Asher during the said
Revolution and while an Ensign as aforesaid and in the said service was killed by the Indians at or near to
where Shippingport now stands in said State leaving then at the time of his death his wife and family
living at the falls of Ohio now Louisville and further he saith not
[30 April 1830]

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State of Kentucky } Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for
Shelby County ss } said County Capt Benjamin Roberts who being duly sworn saith that Himself and
Mark Thomas were each of them Cpts in Slaughters Battalian of Crocketts Regiment of the Virginia State
line of the Army of the Revolution being appointed in the year 1779 and that both himself and the said
Capt Thomas raised each a company of men and that the said Thomas remained in service untill the war
ended but the services of the enlisted troops expired with the year 1781 and that from that period neither
of them had any command but retained their commissions and considered themselves as in service and
liable to be called on at any time when wanted and further he saith not
[30 April 1830]

Ben. Roberts

State of Kentucky
Jefferson County towit

Personally appeared before me William Tompkins a Justice of the Peace for said County duly
commissioned, sworn and acting as such Joseph Sanders [Joseph Saunders VAS4357] who being duly
sworn; states that he was a Lieutenant in Capt. Mark Thomas' Company of Slaughter's Battalion of
Crockett's Regiment of the Virginia State line in the war of the Revolution and served as such, from the
commencement of his service in the year 1779 until the close of the war or the disbanding of the Regiment
and he says that William Asher was an Ensign of said Battalion and while in service as such was killed by
the Indians near to the Falls of Ohio, now Louisville leaving a widow and children. That his children at
this day reside in some part of this state or Indiana.

Witness my hand this 7th June 1830

Joseph Saunders

State of Kentucky }
Jefferson County towit }

Personally appeared before me William Tompkins a Justice of the Peace for the County and State
aforesaid, duly commissioned, sworn and acting as such, Joseph Sanders who being duly sworn says, That

he was a Lieutenant in Capt Mark Thomas' Company of Slaughter's Battalion in Col. Crocketts Regiment of the Virginia State line of the army of the Revolution and served as such from the commencement of his service in the year 1779 until peace or the disbanding of the Regiment. And he says that Capt. Mark Thomas served in like manner with him the affidant until the disbanding of said Regiment which took place in the aforesaid State of Kentucky.

Witness my hand this 7th June 1830



[From the Virginia Half Pay file in Fold3.com]

Deposition of Witness produced sworn & examined before me John Geiger a Justice of the peace within and for the County of Jefferson State of Missouri, at Herculaneum in said County & State on this 24th Day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty seven

William Bready of the State & County aforesaid being produced and sworn says that he was will acquainted with Mark Thomas Deceast, that said Mark Thomas was Reputed to have been an officer in the army of the Revolution and this Deponent, further states that said Mark Thomas Died at his Farm in the Now County of Jefferson then St Louis, on or about the last of May or the fore part of June in the year Eighteen hundred and thirteen as near as he can Recollect, and this Deponent further states that he was with him, when he Died and further states that he is not Related to said Mark and that he is not Interested in the Estate of Mark Thomas, the Deponent further saith not [signed] William Bready

Deposition of 2nd witness produced sworn & examined before me John Geiger a Justice of the Peace within & for the County of Jefferson and State of Missouri at Herculaneum in said County & State William Drenen of the County & State aforesaid Says that he was Acquainted with Mark Thomas in his Lifetime and that he said Drenen states that he knew said Mark Thomas as a Captain in the Revolutionary Army and also knew him in the state of Missouri long Before, and at the time of his Death and that said Thomas as well as he can Recollect Died in the Summer of Eighteen hundred and thirteen in the now County of Jefferson then St Louis in the state of Missouri and that he said Drenen was in the Battle with said Mark Thomas at the Pickaway Plains [Piqua 8 Aug 1780] in the Now State of ohio which was Faught in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty – and further this Deponent saith not

