

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lovell Massey Rejected B. L.335497

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On the old book of Bounty Land Warrants issued prior to 1800, to Officers of the Revolutionary War; and for which there are no papers, the same having been destroyed when the War Office was burned in November 1800, appears the name "Lovell Massey – Virginia Line see B. L. claim No 335-497—" this is written out said Warrant No. 1561, but said number is crossed out and there is no date of issue, or any further information in said book, then as above quoted. The writing on said entry is in a different ink and penmanship than that of the rest of the page and of course must have been written after the rejected claim was received because it quotes that number.

S/ A. Wilson

Dec. 14, 1915

This Soldier's name does not appear in Heitmans Historical Register at all nor is it in the report of the Virginia House of Delegates relative to the bounty lands granted by the State of Virginia.

Hon. J. H. Bentley

Commissioner of Pensions

Sir: Your petitioner desires to make application for information as to the numbers of two land warrants, by which to locate the claim of one Lovell Massey Esquire an officer in the Virginia Line of the Continental Army. The said Lovell Massey was a native of King George County Virginia who died sometime after the war of the Revolution leaving a widow, Sarah, and three children, Robert, Henry W & Susan. The widow and children are all dead. Robert Massey died in Alex. Va. in the year 1862, Henry Massey died in Liberty, Ohio sometime between the year 1820 and 1830 leaving two sons William D and John H Susan Massey afterwards Susan Jack died in Washington DC sometime prior to the late war, leaving 4 children Mary Ann, Sarah, James and Susan. The share of one 3rd of the above mentioned claim belonging to Henry W, one of the heirs of Lovell Massey and claimed by and allowed to his two children William D and John H sometime between the years 1865 & 1870, your petitioner is unable to give the exact date. The share of Susan Jack formerly Massey in the same claim was also allowed to her heirs about the same time, leaving the remaining third share of Robert Massey to be claim by him or his heir or heirs. Your petitioner further states that she is the legitimate daughter of said Robert Massey and that she now desires to procure said claim or its value. Her interest in said claim and its recovery being that of heir.

S/ Mary H. Wimsatt nee Massey

[The above was notarized and sworn to in Alexandria County Virginia February 25, 1882]

[Note: Folks interested in this file documentation should also see John Massey BLWt2076-150 filed in this database on 3/14/13.]