

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of David Baily S16616

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State of Missouri } Ss.

Washington County }

On this fifth day of May one thousand eight hundred and thirty five, personally appeared in Open court before the Justices of the County court of the said County of Washington in the state of Missouri David Bailey at present a resident of the said county of Washington in the state aforesaid aged about eighty years – who being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath depose and make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born (according to the information of his father) in Chester County Pennsylvania on the eighth day of September in the year 1755 but has no record of his age. That he moved from Chester County in Pa. to Bottetourt [sic: Botetourt] County in Virginia where he continued to reside until some time in the winter of the year 1779 to the best of his recollection and belief, when he entered the service of the United States as a Volunteer under Captain Isaac Taylor for the term of three years against the British to serve in a western campaign. That shortly after his enlistment he marched westward to Chissels mines [sic: lead mines at Fort Chiswell in present Wythe County] in Virginia on new River where the company to which he was attached under the command of Capt. Taylor remained stationed from some time in April till about October when they were again ordered on to the falls of Ohio [at present Louisville KY] where the Company arrived a few days before Christmas, and continued there for about two weeks untill a Boat could be provided and some other necessary preparations could be made when the Company was ordered to go, and went down the Ohio about four miles below the mouth and there joined the Regiment commanded by Col. [John] Montgomery. But the Col. being absent on a visit (as was said) to New Orleans the command devolved on Captain Robert George of the Artillery. But shortly afterwards Col Montgomery returned. and the whole Regiment was then ordered back up the Ohio to the falls, in consequence of the want of provisions for the Army at that place. we arrived at the falls of Ohio some time in the month of June. About this time General George Rogers Clarke [sic: George Rogers Clark] came to where we were stationed from Pittsburgh with a supply of provisions and an additional number of men and from that time assumed the Command, we were then engaged for some time in building and improving the Fort.

Some time about September [sic] he was detailed with about twenty men to accompany Gen'l. Clarke up to Lexington in order to consult about a campaign against the Shawnoe [Shawnee] Towns situate on the Big Miami [in Ohio territory]. That he accordingly did accompany Gen'l. Clark in this detachment to Lexington & passed through the country to that place – in a few days he was marched to Bryans Stations where he met with a militia under the Command of Col. [Benjamin] Logan. Thence we were ordered to march back to the Ohio and went with Col. Logan's command, where we met with the Troops from the falls of Ohio who had ascended in Boats, and united with the main Army at or near the place where Cincinnati [sic: Cincinnati] is now situate. From this point the whole Army under the Command of Gen'l. Clarke marched against what was called the Shawone Towns on the Big Miami on the arrival of the Brigade or Army at their Towns [8 Aug 1780] but few Indians were to be found, and they were pursued by a company of Horesmen, some eight or ten killed and a few prisoners taken – The Army then returned to the falls of Ohio some time about the last of Nov. or first of December where he remained until in the winter when his time of Service expired – and Captain Taylor having gone home to Virginia, he this deponent was regularly discharged by one Captain Chaplain [possibly Abraham Chapline] (who then commanded the Company to which he was attached). But his discharge which was in writing has long since been lost together with his pocket Book. After this discharge he remained in

Kentucky for about two years. Then returned to Virginia where he lived for some years. And about thirteen years ago came Missouri where he has lived and resided ever since, and the greater part of the time in the County of Washington aforesaid. He further states that he is acquainted with the Reverend Thomas Donnell a presbyterian clergyman, John Cole Sen'r. Philip Cole Esq'r. all of the s'd. County who can testify as to his character for veracity and truth and any other questions the Court may think proper to ask. That he can not prove by any person, his actual services rendered as above stated and set forth at this time within his reach or that he can procure, nor has he any documentary evidence of the same having lost his discharge as above stated.

I also hereby relinquish every claim whaever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state or Territory in the United States.

[signed] David Baily