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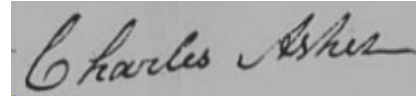
Pension Application of Charles Asher S30833

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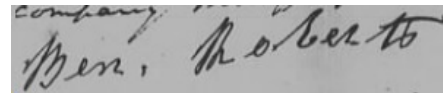
State of Kentucky }
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This day Charles Asher a revolutionary soldier & resident of s'd county personally appeared in open court and made oath that he is now in his sixty ninth year of age, and that he did in the month of December 1779 inlist in Capt Benjamin Roberts [pension application S31343] company of Col George Slaughters state line Virginia Troops for the term of two years that I enlisted in the county of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] in the state of Virginia and marchd with my company and Regiment to the Western country where we were stationed at Louisville, and at which place we acted as a guard to the frontiers, during the term of his enlistment, that He continued to serve as a faithful soldier for two years and was honorably discharged at the expiration of his term. That he has long since lost his discharge so that he is not able to find it, that he is not and never has been a pensioner of the united states or state of Virginia, and he hereby relinquishes all claims to any other pensions than the present claim, that he is old & in need of assistance. Witness my hand this 5th day July 1832



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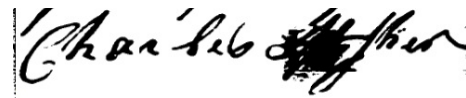
This day Capt Benjamin Roberts at this time in the eighty third year of his age states on oath that Charles Asher now of the county of Mercer and State aforesaid, in the month of December 1779 Enlisted with me as a soldier of my company under the command of Col George Slaughter of the Virginia State line for two years that we marched to the western country and were stationed at Louisville (now in the state of Kentucky) as a guard for the Frontiers, that the s'd Charles Asher faithfully served out his time and was honorably discharged and I further state on oath that he is the same Identical Charles Asher who was a soldier with me during the time aforesaid, in my company Witness my hand this 5th July 1832.



[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#). Some online images could not be deciphered.]

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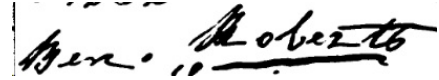
I Charles Asher do hereby state upon oath that I inlisted in Capt. Benjamin Roberts company of Col. Slaughters Copse of the Virginia State line in the month of December in the year 1779 for two years that I faithfully served out my time and was regularly discharged that my brother William Asher who was ensign in Capt. Roberts Company received a land warrant for me for three hundred and twenty five acres of land as a bounty that he (the said Wm. Asher) was shortly afterwards killed by the Indians and that the land warrant was lost or mislaid and that I never received any land. Given under my hand this 17th day of January in the year 1832



State of Kentucky }
Shelby county Sct }

I Benjamin Roberts a Captain in Col. Slaughters Corps in the Virginia State line during the revolutionary war do hereby state on oath that Charles Asher who is now with me inlisted in my company of said Corpse in the month of December in the year 1779 for the term of two years and acted as a faithful soldier during the whole time and until he was honourably discharged by me. I also state that the Soldiers in my company received land warrants of three hundred and twenty five acres each as a bounty. I further state on oath that I am well acquainted with the said Charles Asher and I do hereby state that he is the Identical Charles Asher who served with me during the time aforesaid. Given under my hand this 17 day of January in the year 1832

Ben. Roberts
late Capt in Col Slaughters Regt



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Personally appeared before me Bernard Gaines, a Justice of the Peace in & for said County, John Alen [John Allen S30818] and made oath, that, he enlisted in Capt Benjamin Roberts Company of Colo Slaughters Corps of the Virginia State line for two years, from December 1779, that he served out the time, and that during the whole time Charles Asher, served with him as a private Soldier in the said Roberts' Company, and was honorably Discharged at the expiration thereof. In testimony whereof he the said John Allen has hereunto subscribed his name, the 20 day of January 1832

John hisXmark Allen

War Dept Bounty Land Office/ Feb'y 8th 1832

Sir [Richard M. Johnson, House of Representatives] The letter of McAfee and the papers accompanying it, received in yours of the 5th inst. have been duly examined. In the case of Charles Asher, it is manifest from his own affidavit, and that of Capt Benj'n Roberts under whom he served, that he, Asher, inlisted in 1779 for the term of two years in the State line of Virginia – consequently, he can have no valid claim to bounty land from the General Government.

The case refers itself solely to the state authorities of Virginia, and your request to send it there, would be cheerfully complied with had it been accompanied by definite instructions to that effect.

If Charles Asher is entitled to bounty land from the State of Virginia, it must be under some act that has never come under my observation, all the laws of that state, upon that subject, that I have seen require not less than three years services to give the Soldier a right to bounty lands.

The papers received, are herewith returned. No papers are in this office in the case of Sam'l F. Serofie[?]. A paper containing evidence of heirship in the case of Levi Grooms [BLWt1937-200] (heretofore reported upon) left by you at this office, is still here, to be disposed of as you may direct

I have the honor to be/ Very Respectfully Yours/ Wm Gordon