

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Adam Bosteyon (Boston) W18622          Juliet or Julianna Boston          VA  
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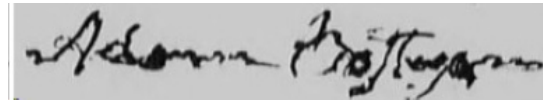
For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May, 1828, I, Adam Bosteyan of [blank] in the county of Frederick in the State of Virginia do hereby declare, that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination; at which period, I was a private in Captain Armongs Troop [sic: Col. Charles Armand's Partisan Corps], Colo [Charles] Dabney Regiment, of the Virginia Line. And, I also declare, that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars; to which I was entitled, under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15th of May, 1778.

And I further declare, that I was not, on the fifteenth day of May, 1828, on the Pension List of the United States.

Witness my hand, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year one thousand eight Hundred and twenty Eight



[Signature from a different document, same date:]



I do certify that Adam Boston is entitled to the proportion of land allowed a private of the State Cavalry, enlisted for the war, for three years service          Thomas Merewether  
Benjamin Harrison

A warrant for 200 acres issued to Adam Boston April 12<sup>th</sup> 1783  
[Copy certified at the Virginia Land office.]

State of Virginia          }  
Clarke County towit          }

Personally appeared before me Thomas F. Nelson a Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid, the second day of February in the year 1841 Juliet Boston a resident of the said county, aged seventy seven years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed the [blank] day of [blank] in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty [blank], that she is the widow of Adam Boston who was a soldier of cavalry of Captain Tinsleys [Samuel Tinsley, pension application S6243] company of Cavalry of the Corps commanded by Major John Nelson [W5414] of the virginia troops of the army of the Revolution enlisted for the period of the war, and that as she has always understood faithfully served to the end of it. She is unable at this time to state the several battles in which he fought, except that he was at the seige of york in virginia [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], or the country through which he marched, nor has she any documentary evidence in her possession in support of her claim other than such as has been recently obtained from the offices in Richmond Virginia. That he departed this life in the county of Frederick, now Clarke, on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1832. She further declares that he maiden name was Juliet How[?]. that she married the said Adam Boston on the [blank] day of [blank] in the year 1785 in the county of Berklay [sic: Berkeley] and state of Virginia by [blank] but that she has been unable to obtain any documentary evidence of her said marriage, and that she is at this time a widow, and

has not again married since the death of the said Adam Boston.

Also at the same time personally appeared before me Thomas F. Nelson, justice of the peace as aforesaid Philip Burwell & Philip Nelson who I do hereby certify to be witnesses of credibility, who are aged persons, who being also sworn according to law, do say that they have long been personally acquainted with Juliet Boston who made the foregoing declaration, and also with her late Husband Adam Boston, and that they feel most confident that she is the identical person who she represents herself to be, and that her Husband was a soldier as above stated in the war of the Revolution, and that she is now at this time a widow, not having been married since the death of the said Adam Boston.

Also at the same time appeared before me Robert H. Little who being duly sworn doth say that he has long been the family Physician of the said Adam Boston during his life, and of his widow Juliet Boston since his death, that he does not believe that the said Juliet Boston can with safety and convenience on acc't. of her age and bodily infirmities attend the Courts of Clarke county in order to make her foregoing declaration in the Court.

T. F. Nelson

Dear Tom Longbranch 30<sup>th</sup> March 1841

I have been reflecting a good Deal on the subject of Mrs Bosteyans claim since you left me. I would advise you to enquire of Philip Foaste[?] at the town Mill as of the old Lady to know how many children she brought when they came from Helms's old Mill to Major Massie I think I recollect perfectly Major Massies waggon bringing Bosteyons family to his mill when I lived in Millwood & I think they had 1 or 2 children or perhaps more with them in seventeen hundred & ninety four I mov'd from Millwood on the 1<sup>st</sup> of Jany [year lined out but may be 1794], So I think that it must have been in 1793 when I saw them coming to Major Massies Mill. Perhaps Sam'l Briarly can tell for he was a man grown & probably more in Bosteyans line of life than I was.

I am your Affe'tly/ Philip Nelson

John Baker the brother of Henry Baker

The deponent John Kerfoot saith that so early as the year 1791 he knew Adam Boston who was then living at a mill owned by one William Helm in the county of Frederick & state of Va. that the said Adam Boston removed from said Mill as early as the year 1793 to a mill situate in what is now Clarke county state of Va. said latter Mill having been built being owned by Major Thomas Massie formerly of the county of Frederick & State of Va.

[No date or certification]


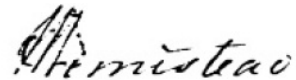
[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

This is to certify that Adam Boston enlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia to serve during the War June 20<sup>th</sup> 1781 & has served untill this present time & is discharg'd by Order of the Govenour & Council Given under my hand at Hampton this sixth day of April 1783

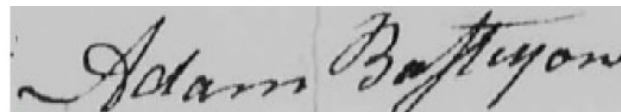
T Armistead Capt [Thomas Armistead R12157]

W Brown Capt [Windsor Brown]

Infantry



NOTE: A family record transcribed below was apparently submitted as proof of marriage. It may have been written by Adam Bosteyon, judging from comparison of his signatures above with the sample at right.



The ages of Adam Bosteyon wife Juluana and children

A Bosteyon Was Born 18<sup>th</sup> Janry 1764

Wife Juluana was Born 17<sup>th</sup> Sept'r. 1763

My Daughter Margret was Born 18<sup>th</sup> May 1786

My Daughter Mary was Born 14<sup>th</sup> [illegible] 1787

My Daughter Phobe was Born Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 1789

My Daughter Elsabeth was Born Nov'r. 27<sup>th</sup> 1791

My Daughter Nancey was Born Feby 27<sup>th</sup> 1794

My Daughter Sarah was Born Nov'r. 26<sup>th</sup> 1795

My Daughter Fanny was Born aug't. 17<sup>th</sup> 1797

My Daughter Kitty[?] was Born April 19<sup>th</sup> 1799

Departed her life 9<sup>th</sup> Oct'r 1801