

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Bartlett Asher W23465                      Margaret Asher                      VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 7 Feb 2017.

State of Indiana }  
County of Owen }

SS. On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared, before the honourable Amory Kinney, president judge of the Circuit court of said county of Owen, and Alex'r Eason associate (William Bull, associate being absent) – now sitting – Bartlett Asher, aged between 65 and 68. The precise age he does not know, a resident of the said county of Owen – who being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit, of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he enlisted in the service of the United States, in the Army thereof, in the year 1779 with Captain Benjamin Roberts [pension application S31343] of the Virginia line, but the regiment he cannot recollect. His enlistment was in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper], Virginia. His Colonels name, was Crocket [sic: Joseph Crockett], – Major George Slaughter [W8729] (he thinks) was a major in s'd. regiment – Mark Thomas [R18446] (he thinks) was his lieutenant (but of this he will not be certain) and this applicants father, William Asher was an Ensign. He enlisted for two years and served the time out; and was discharged in December 1781 in writing, but he has long since lost his discharge. He was marched from Culpepper, to the falls of the Ohio, after being delayed on the Monongahela, boat building, & preparing to descend the Ohio, until the close of the winter or spring following the enlistment. He served the whole of the balance of his time at the Falls of Ohio, now Louisville. He hereto forwards the affidavit of his old Captain, Ben. Roberts, who knew of his entire service, (and who is now a resident of Kentucky aged 82 or 83 years,) with the seal of the county court of Shelby county Kentucky thereto affixed:

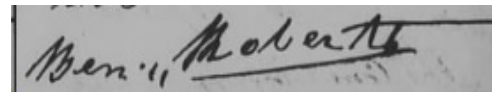
He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever, to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll, of any agency in any state in the Union.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.                      (signed) Bartlett hisXmark Asher

State of Kentucky Shelby county Sct.

This day Capt. Benjamin Roberts of said county personally appeared before me George Bergue an acting Justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid and after being first duly sworn states that he was a Captain in the Virginia line in the Revolutionary war and that in the fall of 1779 in Culpepper county Virginia he inlisted Bartlett Asher of said county for the term of two years in his company and that said Asher was marched from thence to the falls of Ohio the spring following and served out his two years faithfully in his company and was honourably discharged in December 1781 at the falls of Ohio now Louisville that he supposes the said Bartlett Asher was about 15 or 16 years of age when inlisted was well grown and performed his duty faithfully as a good Soldier until his term of service expired and that he is identically the same Bartlett Asher now present and that his father Wm. Asher was an ensign in his company and was killed by the indians at the foot of the rapids on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1780 as appears from a note on his original list

And further he saith not  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1832



[The following is from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

State of Indiana } S.S.  
Monroe County }

It is ordered to be certified by the clerk of the Probate Court that it has this day been proven to the satisfaction of said Probate Court now sitting within and for the County of Monroe in the State of Indiana

by Levi Asher of Vermillion County in the State of Illinois That Bartlett Asher deceased who is reputed and believed was a private soldier in the Revolutionary war and served in the Virginia state line or within the continental line. That he was a citizen resident of Virginia at the time he the said Bartlett Asher engaged to serve as a soldier by enlistment "for the War" or for the space of — years. That said Bartlett Asher before his decease was a pensioner of the United States and was placed on the pension list Agency of the State of Indiana — Declarant believes said Bartlett Asher lived in the County of Culpepper in Virginia when he entered the service as aforesaid and served in the Company commanded by Captain Benjamin Roberts; and William Roberts was Lieutenant or Ensign of said company commanded by said Benjamin Roberts; and declarant believes his Grand-Father William Asher was either Lieutenant or Ensign in said Company commanded by said Capt. Benjamin Roberts. That said company was at one time stationed at the Fort at or near the Falls of the Ohio River (Fort Jefferson now Louisville Kentucky) That said William Asher officer as aforesaid was killed by the enemy without and near said Fort while stationed there in the year of — That said William Asher officer at his decease left the following named children his lawful heirs viz Bartlett, John, William and Sharlott. That said Bartlett Asher and John Asher both died in Owen County in the state of Indiana That William died in Adams County in the state of Illinois That Sharlott intermarried with Joseph Workman both of whom are now dead That the aforesaid four deceased children of said William Asher all died leaving several children each that said Bartlett Asher died in Owen County in the State of Indiana. That he died Testate leaving the following named children — viz John Asher of Van Buren County Iowa Territory Daniel Asher of Owen County Indiana Levi Asher of Vermillion County Illinois Thomas Asher of Adams County Illinois Bartlett Asher of Adams County Illinois Edmund Asher of Putnam County Indiana Catharine intermarried with William Walters of Owen County Indiana Nancy intermarried with Peter Hayse of Owen County Indiana Lenia intermarried with George Thompson of Edgar County Illinois Ally intermarried with John Johnson of Adams County Illinois Jane intermarried with Frederick Staggerwalt of Owen County Indiana and William Asher who died some years before his father Bartlett leaving several children That said declarant Levi Asher is the same Levi Asher named as one of the children and — of the said Bartlett Asher deceased soldier aforesaid is believed by declarant to have served and substud[?] in the Virginia State Line and by the family tradition enlisted under his Father the said William Asher officer when said Bartlett was about sixteen years of age

That said Levi Asher is believed to be Superintending business in said Monroe County and vicinity in the State of Indiana and makes the application to the aforesaid Probate Court to avail himself of legal proceedings; said court being now in session and to obtain the services of George W. Hardin as his agent and attorney to obtain said claims for said Heirs The said George W. Hardin Being a resident of of Bloomington in Monroe County Indiana of the truth of which statements pertaining to the [undeciphered word] represented by said Levi Asher and have set forth said court is fully satisfied All of which the clerk of said Probate Court is directed to officially certify to. Given under my hand and seal as Judge of the aforesaid Court this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 1846. And that the name "Asher" was interlined in the sixth line first page before signed. [signed] Aquilla Rogers

#### NOTES:

On 13 Feb 1846 Levi Asher of Vermillion County IL, 46, applied for the federal pension that could have been claimed by his mother, Margaret Asher, stating that Bartlett Asher and Margaret Curry were married in Jefferson County KY on 21 Mar 1791, that Bartlett Asher died in Owen County in June 1841, and his mother died in Vermillion County on 9 Feb 1845. He listed the following children as heirs: John Asher of Van Buren County Iowa Territory; Daniel Asher of Owen County; Levi Asher; Thomas Asher and Bartlett Asher of Adams County IL; Edmund Asher of Putnam County IN; Catharine Walters, wife of William Walters of Owen County; Nancy Hayse, wife of Peter Hayse of Owen County; Lenia Thompson, wife of George Thompson of Edgar County IL; Alley Johnson, wife of John Johnson of Adams County; Jane Staggerwalt, wife of Frederick Staggerwalt of Owen County; and William Asher, who died some years before his mother. The file includes a copy of the application for a marriage license,

as well as a copy of a bond signed on 12 Mar 1791 by Bartlett Asher and John Mundall for the marriage of Asher to Margaret Curry, daughter of Thomas Curry.

The state file contains a copy of the last will and testament of Bartlett Asher dated 27 Oct 1836 and proved on 16 Aug 1841.