

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Moore¹ W25716

Margaret Moore

f168VA

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

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State of Kentucky Bourbon County

On this 3rd day of May 1853 personally appeared before William M Samuels, the Presiding Judge of said County of Bourbon Mrs. Margaret Moore a resident of the County of Fayette in said State of Kentucky, aged seventy-one years, who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed the 3rd day of February 1853: That she is the widow of Peter Moore who was a Captain and Adjutant in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Crockett in the Virginia State Line during the War of the Revolution. That she was married to the said Peter Moore on the ___ day of October 1805. That her husband the said Peter Moore died on the ___ day of July 1818 in Fayette County Kentucky and that she was a widow at the passage of the Act aforesaid and is still a widow. And that she has had by the said Peter Moore the following children viz.: Mary Burton, Thomas L Moore and Robert H Moore, now living and William S Moore, Nancy Moore & Blackwell Moore long since dead. All of whom were over sixteen years of age at the date of the passage of the act aforesaid. She further says that she has never before made application for a pension.

S/ Margaret Moore, X her mark

State of Kentucky County of Fayette to wit

On this 16 day of April in the year 1855 before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Mrs. Margaret Moore who being first duly sworn according to law declares and says that she is the identical Margaret Moore the widow of the late Captain Peter Moore who was a soldier and Captain in the War of the Revolution in the Regiment Colonel Joseph Crockett from the State of Virginia. That her said husband served for about seven years in said Revolutionary war. She further states that she is now of the age of about seventy-three years and resides in the County of Fayette and State of Kentucky and that she was married to the said Peter Moore in Fayette County Kentucky in the year 1805. She does not now recollect the name of the preacher. That her name before marriage was Margaret Love and that her said husband died in Fayette County Kentucky in the year A.D. 1818 and that she is a widow at the date of this her declaration and have been a widow ever since the death of said Peter Moore. She further says she has made application to the proper Department at the city of Washington for a rear June of Pay due to her said husband that she has succeeded in past in establishing her claim to pay and has received a part that he said claim is

¹ BLWt11159-160-55 and Va. Half Pay See N. A. Acc. No. 874 050 120 Half Pay Peter Moore

still pending before the Departments and that William E Simms of Bourbon County Kentucky is her attorney. She refers to the proof filed in said case to prove her marriage as the affidavit of two witnesses is there filed who was at her wedding and proved said fact. That it is out of her power again to get said Proof and also in said application which she refers will be found filed the Proof of her marriage the evidence of the services and death of her said husband which evidence she is unable to procure again in this case all of which evidence she refers to in this application. She makes this application for Bounty Land warrant for 160 acres under the act of Congress 3rd March 1855. She further declares and says that she has never received or made application for Bounty Land warrant for the services of her said Husband besides this nor has she ever received or made application in any way for Bounty Land Warrant to the Government US. She request the Commissioner of Pensions to send said warrant when issued and all communications to the care of Benjamin F Love Lexington Kentucky. She further states her said husband as she has been informed and as he often told her that he served under Colonel Crockett who was under General Clark [George Rogers Clark] at Louisville Kentucky. She don't how long her said husband served under General Clark. She refers to the rolls in said expedition.

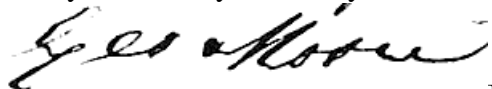
Witness

S/ Robert H Moore

S/ Margaret Moore, X her mark

S/ Amanda C Moore

[p 16: in an affidavit attested in March 17, 1855 in Bourbon County Kentucky, George Moore gave testimony that he is a son of Captain Peter Moore by his first wife; that affiant's mother died about the year 1804 and that his father married Margaret Love in 1805; that he was an eye witness of said marriage; that his father and Margaret were married by the Reverend John Todd in Fayette County Kentucky



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United States Kentucky District SS

Personally appeared before me the Judge of the said District Peter Moore late a soldier in the 3rd Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment & made oath that in June 1793 he applied to the judge of the said District to be placed on the Pension list agreeably to the Act of Congress, that the judge observed to him, the law had been amended & that the amendatory law had not yet come to hand, he therefore could not proceed in the business until he should get a copy of the law. That he did not see a notification published by the Judge of the amendment & never knew that a provision had been since made by Congress till he saw a copy of the present Act published in the Kentucky Gazette sometime in the Summer passed.

Given under my hand this 16th day of September 1805

Henry Innes

Part of the Act of 1792 for regulating Claims to invalid Pensioners was repealed by that on the same subject which passed on the 28th of February 1793 – Before I was furnished with a copy of the last law applications were made by invalids who were postponed because I had notice of the amendment, yet could not act not knowing what it was. Notice of the Amendment was afterwards published in the Kentucky Gazette, which had a very partial circulation, depending on private conveyances there being no Post roads or Post offices established in this State at that

time.

S/ Henry Innis

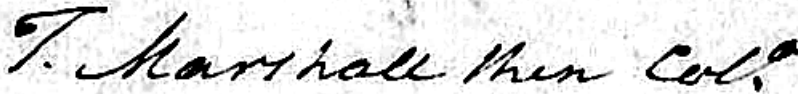
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April 10th 1793

I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof Major Peter Moore was a soldier in the 3rd Virginia Regiment under my command, & that he was wounded by a musket ball being shot through his body at the battle of Brandywine in September 1777 [September 11, 1777], by which wound in my opinion he is rendered incapable of hard labor & that he served in the said Regiment until duly discharged. Given under my hand the day & year above written.

S/ T. Marshall, then Colo. [Thomas Marshall]

3rd Virginia Regiment

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "T. Marshall then Col." with a decorative flourish at the end.

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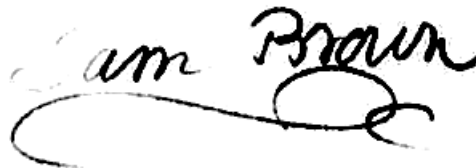
The United States of America to William Russell & John C Richardson of Fayette County greeting. We repose in special confidence in your integrity do by these authors write you to examine William Moore [sic] of the said County late an Ensign in the 3rd Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Thomas Marshall during the revolutionary war, of & touching the paper hereto annexed, whether the writing thereof dated April 10th 1793 & signed Thomas Marshall Colonel 3rd Virginia Regiment is in the handwriting of the said Thomas Marshall & annexed hereto the testimony of said William Moore taken upon this occasion & returned the same to our Judge for the District of Kentucky. In witness whereof Henry Innis our said Judge have hereunto set his hand in conformity to the Act of Congress "to make provision for persons that have been disabled by known wounds received in the actual Service of the United States during the revolutionary war." This 19th day of September 1805

S/ Henry Innes

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I do hereby certify that I have examined Major Peter Moore & find that a musket Ball has entered his left Breast immediately above the cartilages of his Ribs one or more of which have been broken by it & that it passed out of his body of about two inches to the left side of the spine. By the injury done to the muscles of Respiration & the ribs to which the abdominal muscles are attached he is rendered incapable of hard labor & in my opinion is entitled to the Pension granted by Congress to such Officers & Soldiers as have been disabled in the second degree. The line Given under my hand at Lexington September 24 1805

Sam Brown

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sam Brown" with a large, decorative flourish underneath.

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In obedience to a Commission; the United States of America, District we William Russell & John C Richardson Commissioners, to take the deposition of William Moore late Ensign in the 3rd Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment, respecting the certificate of Colonel Thomas

Marshall [paper damaged and text indecipherable], we the above mentioned commissioners met at the house of John C Richardson in the County of Fayette & Commonwealth of Kentucky on the 25th of September 1805 – the above mentioned William Moore late Ensign &c being duly sworn deposed and saith, that he has been well acquainted with Colonel Thomas Marshall's handwriting, for upwards of 30 years & would as leave no to Colonel Marshall's hand as his own and believes the above Certificate to be the writing of Colonel Thomas Marshall – This deponent further saith not.

S/ Wm Moore

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Wm Moore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

[p 70: Printed form in the Congressional record showing that as of December 22, 1781 in the Regiment commanded by Joseph Crockett Peter Moore a private in the 3rd Virginia Regiment as of 1776 had been of promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the artillery in 1778 and 2 in some November 8, 1779; p 71: another printed form shows that Peter Moore was appointed a Lieutenant in Crockett's Regiment July 28, 1779 and commissioned as such November 8, 1779. There is no documentation that resolves the conflict between these two listings.]

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The deposition of Thomas Young taken at the Tavern of John T Langhorne in Maysville, Mason County Kentucky, to be read as evidence in a suit to be instituted in the Courts of Virginia to recover for the officers attached to the Regiment of Colonel Crockett there Compensation of half pay.

Thomas Young being first sworn:

Question: State if you were an officer in the Regiment of Colonel Joseph Crockett, and how long you continued in the same.

Answer: I was an Officer in that Regiment; I was commissioned a Captain in the year 1779 and continued in the service in that grade, until it was disbanded at the end of the war.

Question 2nd: State who were the officers of that Regiment when it was disbanded.

Answer. There was Colonel Joseph Crockett, Major George Walls, Captain William Cherry, John Kerney [or John Karney], Barnett Glenn [Bernard Glenn], Peter Moore, Purvis and myself: lieutenants Henry Daring [Henry Dearing], Rice Bullock, Samuel B Green, Hugh McGavock, Browning [Isaac Browning] and Thomas Walls: and Surgeon Charles Greer.

S/ Thomas Young

[Attested in Mason County Kentucky April 28, 1830]

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Pension Office September 19, 1843

It is hereby certified that the claim of the Administrator of Peter Moore, deceased has been examined; and it appears that the said Peter More served as a Lieutenant of Infantry in the Virginia Troops until the 31st of December 1781, and that the case is embraced by the provisions of the act of July 5, 1832, entitled "An act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia," and the administrator was therefore entitled to half pay from the termination of Moore's service to the day of his death; but not having been paid from an earlier date than the 3rd September 1783, there is now due to said Administrator the half pay claim by him from 31 December 1783 to 3rd September 1783 at the rate of \$160 per annum. The amount

is payable to William T Compton of Georgetown DC, attorney of Charles J Faulkner, of Virginia, administrator of said Peter Moore, deceased

S/ Commissioner of pensions

Approved
Secretary of War

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Auditor's Office March 29, 1844

It appears by my certificate filed in the suit of Peter Moore against the Commonwealth, that I was under the impression at the time, that Moore held the rank of Captain at the close of the war. I have no doubt I was principally misled by the proceedings of the board of officers convened by general Clarke's order "to examine into the claims of the officers of Colonel Crockett's Regiment respecting their ranks," wherein Mr. Moore was recommended as Captain to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Captain Tipton. These proceedings were referred by the Council of State in April 1782, to the Commissioner of war, for what purpose I cannot readily perceive, as Crockett's Regiment was unquestionably disbanded before that time, to wit, in December 1781. It moreover appears, that Peter Moore settled his pay account in 1788, as a Lieutenant, and that he drew from the land office in person his bounty as a Lieutenant. I am now fully satisfied that although he was recommended to a captaincy he never was commissioned as such.

S/ James E Heath, Auditor

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia state Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 8th day of July 1783, in the name of Peter Moore, as a Lieutenant of infantry for £194.12.2, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to John Marshall and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
2nd day of April 1844.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

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A warrant for 2666 2/3 acres issued to Peter Moore, 13th February 1784. No. 2485
a copy from the records of the Virginia land office
Teste, S/ S. H. Parker, Reg. L. Off.

[p 79 printed version]

The deposition of Thomas M'Clanahan,² aged 80 years, given the 23rd day of April in the year 1833

This deponent states that he knew Peter Moore when he was a boy, long before the commencement of the revolutionary war, in Westmoreland County, state of Virginia; that said Peter Moore enlisted as a private soldier in Captain Shelton's company and Colonel Marshall's

² [Thomas McClanahan \(McLanahan\) W1052](#)

Regiment of the Continental line, in the year this deponent thinks, but is not absolutely certain as to the year, 1776, early in the spring of the year; his term of service was for two years, as this deponent believes; he enlisted in Fauquier County, Virginia. This deponent saw said Peter Moore at Middlebrook in the Jerseys in the spring and summer of the year 1777, this deponent being in the service in the 2nd Regiment of the Continental line, and said Moore being in the 3rd Regiment, which last was commanded as aforesaid by the Colonel Marshall; the two regiments lay next [to] each other at Middlebrook; when the troops denominated the Virginia state line troops were raised, this deponent states that said Peter Moore entered the service, bearing a commission of Ensign or Lieutenant, he does not know which; that said Moore continued in service in Colonel Crockett's Regiment, until the year 1783. This deponent saw said Peter Moore in the month of May 1783, in Powell's Valley, on his way from Louisville to Virginia, to which place said Moore had been in the United States service with the troops of the Virginia State line, and he supposes had been discharged previous to his leaving Louisville. When this deponent saw said Moore in Powell's Valley, he was called Captain Moore. And further this deponent saith not.

S/ Thos. M'Clanahan

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$320 per annum commencing March 3rd, 1853, for her husband service as a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Peter Moore W25716

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 16 Nov 2020.

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

[A] I hereby Certify that it appears from a Roll of Lieut Colo Crockett's Regiment, that Peter Moore was a private Soldier in the 3rd Virg'a Regiment in 1776, that he was a Sergeant in 1778 and made Ensign on the 8th of Nov'r 1779. It also appears he was a Supernumerary. This Roll is dated at Charlottesville 17 June 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 13th day of March 1847.

Jas E. Heath 1st Aud'r

On the foot of the original Roll is the following.

Strength of the Regiment when discharged. Non Com[missione]d Officers 13. Rank & file 148.

The above mentioned Subaltern Officers were all entitled to promotion agreeably to an arrangement lodged in the War Office at Richmond. As to the several Officers [undeciphered word] in the recruiting business, I am not able to certify as none of them are present at the making out of this return. Charlottesville June 17th 1782.

I Certify the above is a true return of the Western Battallion to the best of my knowledge

Joseph Crockett Lt Colo Western Battallion

[B] I hereby Certify, that it appears from the Arrangement of the Army made at Winchester on the 6th May 1782. That John Blackwell was a Captain in the 3d Virginia Regiment, Commanded by Colo. George Matthews [George Mathews VAS520], and that his Commission bears date the 15th Sept'r 1777.

Given under my hand at the Auditors Office Richmond this 13th day of March 1847.

Jas. E. Heath 1st Aud'r

[D] A pay roll of Capt. John Chilton's Company in the 3rd Virginia Regiment from October 7th to December 7th 1776, inclusive.

John Chilton [BLWt519-300], Captain, 2 months	\$80.
John Blackwell [BLWt264-300] Lieutenant 2 months	54
Joseph Blackwell [S37781], Lieut. 2 months	54
&c	
Nathaniel Moore Sergeant 2 months	16
William Strong Sergeant 2 months	16
&c	
Moses Allen [Moses Allan S2487] Corporal 2 months	14 $\frac{2}{3}$
John Russell Corporal 2 months	14 $\frac{2}{3}$
&c.	
Michael Haynes Drummer 2 months	14 $\frac{2}{3}$
Richard Beale [Richard E. Beale W1128] Private 2 months	13 $\frac{1}{3}$
John Johnson Private 2 months	13 $\frac{1}{3}$
John Rogers Private 2 months	13 $\frac{1}{3}$
Peter Moore Private 2 months	13 $\frac{1}{3}$
John Deane [W6998] Private 2 months	13 $\frac{1}{3}$
&c	

A true copy from the Original on file in this Office. Given under my hand this 4th day of January, 1847.

J. L. Edwards/ Commissioner of Pensions

Richmond Virginia March 17th 1847

To the Executive and Council of Virginia

In presenting the claim of the heirs of Captain Peter Moore for additional land bounty under the Act of May 1782 which promised one sixth in addition to former bounties offered for each year over six years that an officer remained attached to the Service;

I will refer you to the decision of the Executive and council in 1830 which allowed the quantity due a Captain to the heirs of Captain Moore and to the papers enclosed as evidence to support the claim to additional bounty.

The paper marked A is a certificate of the auditors which shows that Peter Moore was in the service in the year 1776 and remained attached to it until the end of the War

The paper marked B is a certificate of the auditor which shows that John Blackwell was commissioned a captain on the 15th day of Sept 1777 in the third Virginia Regiment; and the certificate of the register of the land office marked C [not transcribed] shows that there was but one John Blackwell who received land bounty for military services and that he received for seven years and nine months, and by referring to the papers filed in 1808 in the Executive department in the Capitol upon which his additional land bounty was allowed it will be seen that it was for service rendered in the third Virginia Regiment. The paper marked D shows that Peter Moore was the 5th man enlisted in the company in which John Blackwell was a Lieutenant in 1776 his service must therefore have commenced as early as Blackwell's did for a Lieutenant was required to enlist his quota of men before his service commenced but it was provided by law that a soldiers commenced when he enlisted

Col Joseph Crockett became a supernumerary at the same time that Peter Moore did and he received his additional bounty Land until the treaty of peace I therefore am of opinion that the heirs of Peter Moore are entitled to the same additional bounty land as was received by John Blackwell having entered the service about the same time and remained attached to it as long as Col Crockett did who received his until the treaty of peace Sept 3th 1783 Wm S Moore

May 25 47/ To [undeciphered] for further consideration

Sept 5th 1847. Moore received Bounty for 3 years service as a Lieut. in Feby [undeciphered] – his heirs received in January 1832, the additional bounty of a Captain for the war. (which rank he held) – He belonged to Crocketts Reg't raised under act of '77. (not 6 years before the war) – He is said to have served as a soldier in '76 & for two years in the 3rd Va Reg. But that was not continuous service, the enlistments of '76 being only for two years, when he retired. The act counts the time from this period the officer last went into service/ Rejected N S Daniel L. Gov.

1847 Sep 3^d Rejected

filed by Wm. S. Moore of Centreville Bourbon Co'y Kentucky