



personally appeared William Smith [S7548] a resident of said county aged 77 years and of good character for veracity and morality and being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith, that he and Thomas Norman of Culpeper County Virginia who is applying for his bounty land, enlisted in Captain Benjamin Roberts's company Maj'r George Slaughter's troops and marched to the Ohio River for the protection of that part of the country. ~~That said Norman was a serjeant in said company and acted a such for some time~~ and that the Thomas Norman to whom this is given is the identical person who rendered the above service which was a two years enlistment and that the above service commenced in to the best of his recollection in the fall of 1779 and that their term of service expired in the fall of the year 1781.  
Given under my hand the day and date as above written. Wm. Walden

Petition for Bounty land.

Thomas Norman Sold'r S. line.

The evidence proves an enlistment & service of two years only, in the army under the Command of Gen'l. G. R. Clarke [sic: George Rogers Clark VAS269]. The time of service (from the fall of 1779 to the fall of 1781) forbids the belief, that this soldier was one of the volunteers under Gen'l. Clarke, who was at the taking of the British Posts, & who were entitled (each) to 200 acres of land, by law.

Capt. Benjamin Roberts (in whose company it is said Norman enlisted & servd) commanded men, who generally enlisted for three years. But the proof, in this case, is that the enlistment was for two years, and the service not longer.

Respectfully submitted/ John H Smith Com'r &c  
To his Excellency/ Gov'r Tazewell May 5<sup>th</sup> 1834

1834 July 25 Rejected

NOTES:

The following appears in the pension application of William Bowen S8081:

Auditors Office Richmond/ 22 April 1833.

Sir/ Your communications of the 12 and 17<sup>th</sup> inst I have duly received and proceed the earliest convenient moment to answer.

I find among the papers relating to the Illinois Department of the Revolutionary army, a muster Roll, and only one, of Capt Benjamin Robert's company whilst in service under General Clarke. The Roll is very much defaced by time, but on minute examination I think there is no doubt but that the names of Wm. Bowen a corporal and Thomas Norman a private are to be found thereon. It appears that Bowen enlisted 22<sup>d</sup> Nov. 1779 and was discharged the 21 Dec'r 1781. Norman enlisted on the same day & was discharged on the 26 Octo 1781. So far as I can perceive there is an exact correspondence between the evidence furnished by this Roll & Bowen's declaration.

I enclose you a certificate shewing that the name Pelkington appears on our Rolls. Doubtless Pilkinson was a mistake of the transcriber

I am Sir very respectfully/ your obedient serv't/ Jas. E. Heath aud'r Va

On 19 Dec 1853 Frances Norman, 69, of Stevensburg, applied for a pension stating that she married Thomas Norman on 25 Sep 1815, and he died near Stevensburg on 3 Nov 1838. The file contains a document certifying that a family register in the handwriting of Thomas Norman in his Bible shows that he married Fanny Stuart on 25 Sep 1815. In an application for bounty land dated 4 June 1855 her age was given as 70, and it was stated that she was married by Parson Boggs in Spotsylvania County VA. Another document states that she was the daughter of John Stewart of Spotsylvania County.

On 21 Aug 1866 Frances Norman, age 80, applied for restoration of her pension, which had been suspended during the Civil War, during which time she had lived in the counties of Culpeper, Montgomery, Halifax, and Spotsylvania with the aid of her children.