

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Rippetto (Reppetoe)¹ W2697

Betsey (Elizabeth) f41VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

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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.]

[Note: There are no applications in this file. This is however a note dated October 14, 1970 and signed by W. D. Howell which reads as follows: "the 2 jackets were missing from Rev pension file of William Rippetto (W2697) on October 14 1790, Mr. Philip Bush asked for Xerox copies and found the 2 documents missing from the file. He had xeroxed copies of the 2 jackets which we xeroxed. He had received Xerox copies from the file by me all. The jackets may be in another Revolutionary War Pension file." This note provides a clue as to what may have happened to the applications. The best indication that can be gleaned from the file as it exists on Fold3.com is given in a letter dated November 3, 1828 responding to a request for information sent by a J. J. Rippeteau of St. John Washington. The letter reads in relevant part as follows:

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W. 2679, it appears that William Rippetoe enlisted, November 28, 1776, in Albemarle County Virginia, and served as a private under Lieutenant A. Maury in Colonel William Davis' Virginia Regiment; before his term of enlistment had expired, he re-enlisted in December 1778, and served as Sergeant in Captain Beverly Stubblefield's Company, Colonel Richard Parker's Virginia Regiment until the capture of Charleston [May 12, 1780], South Carolina, when he was taken prisoner and sent on a prison ship to Jamaica, where he remained in captivity until the end of the Revolution.

It is also stated that he served as quarter master Sergeant under Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Hammond,² no details of service given.

The soldier married in April 1797, in Orange County, Virginia, Elizabeth or Betsy, Strow. They remained in Orange County, Virginia, for about 20 years when they moved to Jefferson County, Tennessee.

Soldier died February 1, 1838, in Jackson County, Kentucky, where he had gone to visit his sister, Mrs. Edward Hamilton.

Betsy Rippetto was allowed pension on her application executed September 2, 1844, on account of the above services of her husband. She was then aged seventy years and a resident of Jefferson County or Cocke County, Tennessee.

They had children, the only names given are Thomas and Henry.

The name of Thomas B Rippetto, aged about 50 in 1844, appears, relationship to soldier is not stated.]

¹ BLWt19534-160-55

² [Samuel Hammond S21807](#)

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Jefferson County Tennessee
February 28, 1850

Sir

I request that you recognize Mr. Jesse E. Dow of Washington City DC as my Agent in the procurement of my pension which I claim on account of the revolutionary Service of my husband William Reppetoe deceased: and that you deliver to him my pension Certificate, when the same shall have been issued. I further request that the same shall be made payable to the Jonesboro, Tennessee Agency. I asserted my claim from Jefferson County Tennessee, which is now on file in the Pension Office

Respectfully
S/ Betsy Reppetoe, X her mark

Attest

S/ J. M. Busby [?]

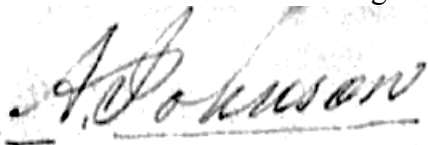
S/ Jas W. Harb [?]

[Addressed to]

Col. J. L. Edwards

Commissioner of Pensions Washington City DC

[f p. 4: Andrew Johnson, future President of the USA, sent a letter saying one of the attesting witnesses is well known to him and a gentleman of great worth and integrity.



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Comptroller General Office Columbia South Carolina December 14, 1844

Book C

Indent 15} Issued the 1st of October 1784 to Mr. Reppeto late Quarter Masters Sergeant in Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Hammond's Regiment of State Troops, for 117 pounds, 10 shillings Sterling for Balance pay and bounty due him for services in that Regiment together with interest thereon from the 1st April 1782 to date of Indent, agreeable to a resolution of the General Assembly on the 11th March last &c

Principal £117.10.0

Interest £008.4.6

I certify the above to be a true Copy from the records of this Office

For Comptroller General

[illegible signature]

[f p. 7: certificate dated March 10, 1851 from Philip S. Fry, clerk of the Orange County Virginia court stating that it is in the papers in his office a license issued April 12th, 1797 for the marriage

of William Rippeto and Betsy Strow [?]³.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending February one, 1838 when he died for her husband's service as a Sergeant for 2 years in the Virginia Continental service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

³ *Betsy Strow*

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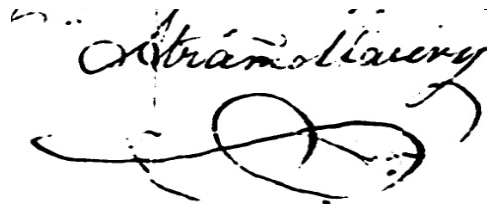
Addendum to William Rippeto (Reppetoe) W2697

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 15 Feb 2021.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I do certify that I enlisted William Rippeto of the County of Albemarle on or about the 28th Novemb'r 1776 as a private soldier in the Continental Army for three years & in the month of December 1778 I reinlisted him as a private Soldier During the War in the then tenth Virg'a Regiment formerly the fourteenth then Commanded by Colo William Davies [BLWt597-500] of which I was a Lieutenant. The s'd Rippeto rec'd a furlough to go from Bound Brook in Jersey to Virg'a & when it expired, he was ordered to join the southern army after which he never came under my Command. Given under my hand in the County of Orange & State of Virginia this 5th day of March 1795

Abram Maury [Abraham Maury S5730]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abram Maury". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

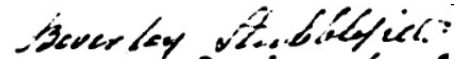
March 9th 1795

I do here by Certify that Wm Rippeto join'd Colo Richard Parkers [Richard Parker BLWt525-500] Detachment at Fredericksburg and marcht with said detachment as a Sarjent and was taken prisoner at Charleston the 12th of May 1780

Given un my hand in Spotsylvania County

Beverly Stubblefield [W2263]

Capt in 2^d Virg'a Reg't

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beverly Stubblefield". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.