



Dear sir [Hon. Samuel Bunch] I made out a declaration for a pension for John Iams and it is return'd for want of more evedenc His evedenc is not in this countery he wishes me to write to you on the subject and wishes you to take some steps in the course of this winter to get the evedence of his enlistment and services and attend to his papers if you can get him a pension he will amply reward you for your trouble I shall send his papers with this letter His evedence he says is in annrundel [sic: Anne Arundel] County (Maryland) 18 or 20 miles from W. [Washington] City whoes names are = Reason Gater & sons, Seth Gater & sons, Philip Hammon Thomas Mallet & sons John Hall William Woodward, Joshua Gater & sons These men did live near the road leading from Bledensburgh to anaplis [sic: Bladensburg to Annapolis] – in Prince George Cty there are Christopher Hielt & sons Humphrey Beckett Joseph Isaac, Samuel Evens Loyd Iams William Iams Richard Iams = his Brother William Iams Elisha Green Fredrick Clerk Richard Whitehead – Edward Whitehead Thomas Iams and John Iams His name he says is John Fredrick Iams but on the rols it may be John or Fredrick as he was some time cal'd by John and some times by Fredrick and as he is not a schooler he knows not by which name he was enroled If you could find aney means to percure the testimony you would render an old Reve'y solder a great service

I have also sent my fathers [David McAnaly, pension application W966] and Andrew Elders [R3278] Declaration on to the Sety. at War If you will lend your ade in doing for them what you think is right it will be thankfully rec'd. You know both the men and you know wheather you think they war Revelutionary soldiers or not I think my fathers papers are clear but Mr Elders I think is doubtfull but no doubt remains with aney that knows him but his statement is true – it is the best I can do for him Attend too them if you please

Your success in this business you will communicate to me in a letter to beens [sic: Beans] station P.O.

Yours Respect'y

[signed] C. Mcanally

NOTE: On 7 Oct 1844 Mary Iams, 80, of Grainger County TN, applied for a pension stating that she married John Frederick Iams in 1789, and he died on 24 Jan 1839. Elizabeth Harvey, 73, stated that John Frederick Iams married Mary Johnson in Oglethorpe County GA.