

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Field Reuben

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Frances

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[p2] Kentucky certificate 1734

Frances Field, widow of Reuben Field

Who died April 1815

Jefferson Co KY

Captain under Col Muhlenburg [*Muhlenberg*] of Virginia

2 years & upward

Issued 24 Jan1838 @ \$480.00/annum

With \$3,120.00 arrearages

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State of Kentucky

Jefferson County

Be it known that on the 15th day of September 1837 personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for the county of Jefferson and state of Kentucky Frances Field, a resident of the city of Louisville in said county & state, aged about seventy three years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the act of Congress of the United States passed July 4, 1836 and of the act explanatory of said act passed 3rd March 1837. That she is the widow of Reuben Field, who was a Captain in the Army of the Revolution and served as follows as she verily believes. That said Reuben Field was residing in Culpepper [sic Culpeper] County State of Virginia and entered the service of the United States in the 8th Virginia Regiment as a private in Captain George Slaughter's Company, of which company Henry Field [*Henry Fields*] and George Kertley [*possibly a misidentification of Lieutenant James Kirtley*] were Lieutenants & John Graves Ensign. This was in the Spring of the year 1776. The said regiment was commanded by Col^o Peter Muhlenburg [*Peter Muhlenberg*]. They were marched to Norfolk & Suffolk in Virginia and then to Charleston in South Carolina. That he remained in the service as a private until some time in the year 1777 when he was appointed Captain in the army of the Revolution in the Virginia line on Continental Establishment and continued in

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Said service until the close of the war in 1783. During the time of his service the said Captain Reuben Field was taken prisoner by the British and confined in Philadelphia for a considerable time. She has no documentary evidence in her possession proving the service of said Captain Reuben Field and she has to rely on the only proof she can now procure which is hereto attached.

She further declares that she was married to the said Captain Reuben Field (whilst he was in the service as aforesaid) in the County of Fauquier State of Virginia on the 2nd day of June 1782 by Parson Craig as a minister of the gospel by publishing the bond of matrimony as well as she recollects & believes and she has been informed that marriages performed in that manner were not recorded. That her husband the said Captain Reuben Field died in the month of April 1815 in Bourbon County State of Kentucky and that she has remained a widow ever since that

period. The only evidence she can now present of her marriage and of the death of said Field is hereto annexed and to which she refers.

Sworn to & subscribed

Before me on the day

Frances Field x her mark

And year above written

[routine county certification

James Harrison, JP

Worden Pope, clerk

Silas Field, Reuben Field was the Uncle of Silas Field's Father

Daniel C Banks, JP

[p7] Family register

Reuben Field and Frances Jones were married 02Jun1782

Reuben Field born 11Nov1757

Frances Field born 08Jun1765

Elizabeth Field born 15May1783

Abraham Field born 20Jul1785

Charles Jones Field born 11Jun1787

Julius Field born 02Jun1789

Reuben Field Jr born 20Mar1792

Alexander Field born 04Jun1794

Fanny Field born 10May 1796

Willis Field born 29Mar1799

Hannibal Field born 21Aug1804

Curtis Field born __Dec1806

Martha J Field born 13Jun1810

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State of Kentucky

Spencer County

Be it remembered that on this first day of September 1837, personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for the county of Spencer in the state of Kentucky, Bryant Sloan,¹ who being first duly sworn, states that in the Spring of the year 1776 himself and Reuben Field & many others entered the service of the United States (in the Revolutionary War) in the Company commanded by George Slaughter of the 8th Virginia Regiment then commanded by *[paper damaged and word obscured by an ink blot]* Peter Muhlenburg, Henry Field & James *[paper damaged and last name of skewered by an ink blot]* were the Lieutenants and John Graves Ensign of said Slaughter's Company. That they were marched to Norfolk & Suffolk & thence ordered on & marched to Charleston in South Carolina. That said Reuben Field continued to serve as a private until some time in the year 1777. The said Field was appointed a captain in the service in the said Virginia line and was there in the service when this affiant in the fall of the year 1779 came to the western country and remained here until the fall of the year 1780 when he returned to Virginia and he found that said Reuben Field was still in the service as a Captain and said Field so continued in the service until the close of the war in 1783 as well as he now recollects & believes.

Bryant Sloan x his mark

¹ Sic [Brian Slone S11406](#)

[Spencer county certification
Jesse Crum JP
Raphael Lancaster, clerk
Bullitt County certification
Henry Crest
Joseph Saunders
Nathaniel P Saunders JP
Noah C Summers, clerk

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State of Kentucky Jefferson County: Sct.

Be it known that on this 27th day of October 1837 personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for the County & State aforesaid Frances Field resident of the City of Louisville in said County & State, aged about seventy-three years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following additional Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States passed July 4, 1836 and of the act explanatory of said Act passed 3rd March 1837. That she is the widow of Captain Reuben Field who served in the Revolutionary Army as is stated in her foregoing Original Declaration. That she was married to the said Captain Reuben Field in the County of Fauquier in the State of Virginia on the 2nd day of June 1782. At the time of the marriage aforesaid the said Captain Reuben Field was on a visit to his relations & friends – he then belonged to the Army & presumes he had obtained a furlough. A very short time after the said marriage he returned to the Army and served (occasionally visiting home) until the close of the War in November 1783 having served about one year & five months after his said marriage she verily believes it was in the month of November 1783 when said Field returned home from the Army.

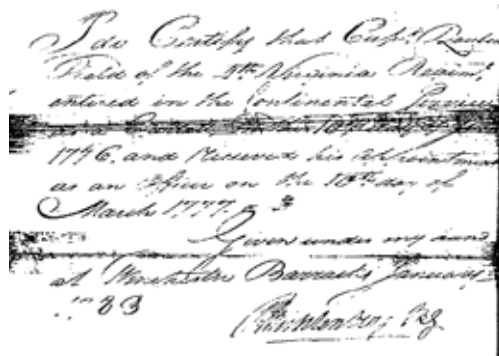
S/ Frances Field, X her mark

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 2 files+ 1 reference to another file

I do Certify that Captain Reuben Field of the 4th Virginia Regiment entered in the Continental Service as a Cadet on the 10th day of June [? could be an abbreviation of January] 1776 and received his appointment as an Officer on the 10th day of March 1777.

Given under my hand at Winchester Barracks January

S/ P. Muhlenberg BG [Peter Muhlenberg]



I do Certify that Capt. Reuben Field of the 4th Virginia Regiment entered in the Continental Service as a Cadet on the 10th day of June 1776, and received his appointment as an Officer on the 10th day of March 1777.

Given under my hand at Winchester Barracks January 1783

P. Muhlenberg BG

Reuben & Abraham Field

Reuben Field as a Captain allowed one year, eight months and fifteen days above six years in the Continental line – the Representatives of Abraham Field who died in service allowed the bounty of a private in the same line for the war.

Application for Bounties in Land

If Reuben Field continued in service to the end of the war of which I have no reason to doubt, he was in the Continental Army seven years eight months and fifteen days, and has been allowed (according to the within Certificate) for no more than three years service. Abraham Field having died in service, I would suppose that his Representatives are entitled to the Bounty in Lands.

S/ James Wood

in Lands.


It appears by the books of this office that a certificate from the executive bearing date the first April 1783, a warrant for 4000 acres issued, the same day, to Reuben Field in consideration of his services as a Captain of the Virginia Continental line for three years ending the 10th of March 1780. No other warrant appears to have issued for the services of said Field
Land office *S Will G. Pendleton, Chief Clerk*
6th April 1812

It does not appear by the books of this office that any land bounty has been drawn for the services of Abraham Field, in the Revolutionary War
Land office *S Will G. Pendleton, Chief Clerk*
6th April 1812

I Jonathan Clark Lieutenant Colonel in the Eighth Virginia Regiment in the Revolutionary War do Certify that Captain Reuben Fields [sic] was a soldier in Captain George Slaughter's Company in the Eighth Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Muhlenberg in the month of March 1776, but how long before that, he had enlisted I know not. That he was afterwards promoted in that Brigade to an officer, that he continued in that until the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777], when he was made prisoner – at this time he was a Lieutenant – I was then in the same Regiment. This Regiment commanded by Colonel Muhlenberg was at first the 8th Regiment it was about the year 1778 annexed to the 4th Regiment and with that became the 4th Regiment – This much I certify of my own knowledge – I was taken prisoner at Charleston [May 12, 1780] and I believe before Captain Fields was exchanged – I have always understood that Captain Fields was exchanged afterwards – that he again joined the Army and continued in it the end of the War before which he was promoted to a Captaincy. Given under my hand this 22nd day of May 1809

S/ Jonath Clark
Late a Lieut. Col. in Eighth Regiment &

4th Virginia Regiment in the Revolutionary War

John Belas
late a Lieut. Col. in Eightth Reg^t
of Virginia Reg^t in the Revolutionary
War

I do Certify that Reuben Field enlisted as a Soldier in the Continental Army in the fall 1775 or January 1776 and then a Captain and I believe continued in the service until [several indecipherably faint words]. In the year 1803 the 23rd of November
12th May 1809

S/ George Slaughter Formerly Captain in the
Eight Virginia Regiment

I do certify that Reuben Field enlisted
as a soldier in the Continental Army in the
fall 1775 or Jan 1776 and then a Capt.
and I believe continued in the service until
the year 1803 the 23rd of Nov.
12th May 1809
George Slaughter
formerly Cap^t in the
Eight Virginia Regiment

We do hereby certify that Abraham Field enlisted in the Army in January 1776 and died in the Service Brother to Reuben Field, Reuben being the next oldest Brother.
12 May 1809

S/ Geo. Slaughter formerly
Captain in the 8 Virginia
Regiment
S/ Larkin Field

Abraham Field enlisted in the Army in January 1776 and died in the Service Brother to Reuben Field, Reuben being the next oldest Brother.
12 May 1809
Slaughter family
Capt in the Eight Virginia
Regiment
Larkin Field