Petition of William Benson VAS2001

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Date: 1802 – 12 – 17
Description Soldier in the Regiment of Cavalry under Colonel Theodoric Bland from 1776 to 1778 asked for a certificate for his pay. Includes note from Auditor's Office

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