I Presley Nevill [BLWt1596-300] of pittsburgh in the state of Pennsylv’a do certify that I held a commissi[on] in the 12 Virg’a Reg’t from its Organization to the end of the war – that I perfectly remember a William Berry in said Regiment as a Subaltern officer. I do not know whether a Lieutenant or Ensign; that he was in Service at White Marsh [Whitemarsh PA] in the fall of 1777, but I do not know when he left the Service as I went from the Regiment at that time into the family of Maj’r Gen’l the Marquis de lefayet[te] [sic: Lafayette] and never joined it again, altho I always held my rank

Given under my hand this 9th day of Oct. 1812.

Presley Nevill a Colo.
in the revolutionary Army
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General Nevill was a Captain in the 12th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, while I had the Command of that Regiment. I remember William Berry, and that he enlisted the latter end of the year 1776 (and soon after the expiration of his term of service in the 2d Regim’t) as appears by his discharge from that Regiment. he was promoted to the Rank of Ensign late in the year 1777 – to the best of my recollection he resigned in the year 1778. I have no hesitation in Certifying my opinion that his service in the two Regiments was upwards of three years. Given under my hand this 3rd December 1812.

James Wood formerly B. Gen’l Cont’l Army