STATE OF VIRGINIA } SS.
Spotsylvania [sic: Spotsylvania] County } 

On this 2nd day of April A.D. 1855 personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, William Bell aged 91 years, a resident of Spotsylvania Co in the State of Virginia, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical William Bell who was a Soldier in the Company commanded by Captain Richard Hord, in the 3rd Regiment of Virginia Militia commanded by Col. Carey in Revolutionary War with Great Britain, declared by the United States, that he was drafted at Todds warehouse (Caroline County), on or about the 15th day of August A.D. 1781 for the term of two months and continued in actual service in said War, for the term of twenty days, and was honorably discharged at Fredericksburg on the 27th day of October A.D. 1781 when he went as guard to the prisoners from York Town.

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he may be entitled, under the Act approved, March 3rd, 1855. He also declares that he has not received a Warrant for bounty land, under this or any other Act of Congress, nor made any other application therefor.

[signed] William Bell

[Witnessed by Samuel C. Dickinson and James Bell.]