Pension Application of Robert Brown R12652
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[The only substantial document in the federal pension file is the following:]
Pension Office/ July 1, 1848

I certify that I have examined the claim of the administrator of Robert Brown, deceased, and I find that said Brown was a Lieutenant of the Virginia State Artillery during the revolution, and served till February 7, 1781, when he became supernumerary. The claim is therefore provided for by the act of July 5, 1832, and it should in my opinion be allowed at the rate of two hundred dollars per annum from the seventh of February seventeen hundred and eighty one until the first of January eighteen hundred and fourteen, in which year he died. The account is payable to Felix Richards, attorney of Thomas J. Evans, administrator of said Brown, dec’d.

Approved/ Secretary of War. Commissioner of Pensions

[The following is found among the bounty-land papers in the Library of Virginia.]

I hereby certify that Mr Robert Brown acted as conductor at York [Siege of Yorktown] in September and October 1779 when I had the command there, & that I believe he had acted in that capacity for a considerable time, before my command there commenced. And I also certify that Mr Brown was commissioned as first Lieut’t. in the State artillery Ap’l. 12th 1780 and as second Lieutenant (it would appear from the manner in which he is numbered in the list of officers of that regiment, given in by Colo [Thomas] Marshall to the board of Field officers that sat in Feb’y 1782) some time in the month of January 1780. And farther that he became supernumerary when the regiment was reduced, & still continues as supern’y.

Ap’l. 13th 1784 George Muter Col