

Pension Application for Bernard Valentine or Volentine Barnard

S.40616

Mifflin County

State of Pennsylvania SS

On this 15th day of Augt AD 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Mifflin County – Personally appeared Bernard Valentines, aged about sixty years, resident in the township of [Sevenauagh?] & County aforesaid, who being by me first, duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War.”

That this deponent enlisted in the Spring of the year 1777 under Lieut John steel, of a company commanded by Captain Sample, which company was organized in the 1st Regt, 1st Brigazde Pennsylvania line, that he continued in said company until shortly before the battle of Monmouth—when he was drafted into a company of Artillery, commanded by Capt. Lee—attached to Col. Lamb’s Regt. That he continued in said Regt until the year 1783 (after the conclusion of the Treaty of Paris)—when he was discharged at Princetown in the State of New Jersey.

That during his continuance in the army he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, and at the Pooli—as well as in a great number of skirmishes.

That his discharge was washed to pieces in his pocket—and that there is more than two parts of his pay which yet remains unpaid—as well as a considerable sum of prize money—which was awarded to each of the men in an expedition under Major Green, which captured a British vessel.

That this deponent is now in very reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

He [?] the deposition of Robt King Esqr of Lancaster County and the certificate of Genl. John Steel [collerton?] of the part of Philadelphia which he had procured in the year 1815 for the purpose of petitioning congress for the arrearages of pay and prize money due him, but which were never paid on. (Signed with his mark) Barnard Voluntine.

Sworn & Subscribed before me the day and year above written. Joseph Edmiston