

SERVICE

NUMBER

Va.            Barton, Elisha

S. 19198

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Ordered to pay \$     letter to J. P.  
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1841

23.926

*Virginia*

*Elisha Barton*

of *Bedford* in the State of *Va*

*BL 3391* - [illegible] 15

who was a [illegible] in the *Company* commanded  
by Captain [illegible] of the \_\_\_\_\_ commanded  
by \_\_\_\_\_ in the *Va*  
line for *6 months*

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Inscribed on the Roll of *Virginia*  
at the rate of 25 Dollars \_\_\_\_\_ Cents per annum  
to commence on the *4 of March 1831*

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Certificate of Pension issued the 28 of *Apr '34*  
and [illegible] *H.*  
[illegible] *H. R.*

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Arrears to 4 <sup>th</sup> of <i>Mar 1834</i>	\$ 75.
Semi-anl. allowance ending <i>4 Sept</i>	<u>12.50</u>
	<u>\$87.50</u>

{ Revolutionary Claim,     }  
{ Acts June 7, 1832       }

Recorded by [illegible] Clerk

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State of Virginia            County of Bedford    s.s.

On this 26th day of March 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Court of Bedford County now sitting the same being a Court of record Elisha Barton a resident of the said county in the state aforesaid aged Seventy Six years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832, That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as herein stated – In the year 1781 he believes but cannot remember with particular accuracy nor can he tell the month or day by reason of his old age and consequent loss of memory he entered the service as a volunteer in the militia of Virginia in a Company of cavalry from the County of Fauquier in the said State where he then resided for Six months. The company was commanded by Captain William Triplett and marched first to the Courthouse of Fauquier County where he was stationed Seven weeks awaiting a call to join the Army and remaining there as they were directed till further orders were given for their movements, which were [illegible] expected when the operations of the [illegible] should [illegible] their [illegible] elsewhere [illegible] The company was assigned to defend those places when danger was apprehended from sudden invasions of the enemy upon the county. At the expiration of the Seven weeks as aforesaid they were ordered to march to the Town of Falmouth near Fredericksburg on the Rappahannock in Virginia where it was expected their service would be needed at this place they remained three weeks & were then ordered to March to [illegible] [illegible] immediately on the great road leaving from Richmond to Fredericksburg in the County of [illegible] at this place they were also stationed a short time but how long he has forgotten for the reasons afore stated, they were then ordered to March to York Town or to the neighborhood of that place which they did accordingly by marching through [illegible] County and other places of little note He remained here until he was regularly discharged at the expiration of the tour of Six months for which he had volunteered having served out the tour of Six months and not before Samuel Gibson was Lieutenant of the company and John Barker Ensign, another man of the name of Triplett whose

Christian name he has forgotten is as chief commander of the forces and company to which he was attached. He does not remember the names of the other officers of the company or of the regiment nor does he remember the commander of the regiment to which he belonged for the reasons before stated The company never joined the main army at all because it was a volunteer company under the control of its own officers and went to such places as they considered it important to defend and where their services were required, but were ready to join the army at any time when called on. During his service he was in no engagement nor was he in any [illegible] [illegible]. He was during the whole of his services in [illegible] Soldier – He cannot remember the day when he left the service for the reasons before stated, but it was a short time only before the Surrender of Cornwallis at York Town. He received an Honorable written discharge from Col. Triplett Signed by him. He had his discharge for a great while afterwards but it is now lost or mislaid, he having taken no particular care of it and not expecting in fact ever to need it took little or no [illegible] to preserve it – He was born in the County of Fauquier State of Virginia in the year 1757 as he has been told and he has always believed But the day or month he cannot now tell if he ever knew He has not now nor did he ever have any record of his age Two years after the close of the War of the Revolution he moved from the County of Fauquier to the County of Bedford where he now resides and has ever resided since He has no documentary evidence by which to prove his Services or any part thereof He is unable to procure the testimony of a clergyman who can testify as to his general reputation as a Soldier of the Revolution in the neighborhood where he resides, because there is no clergyman residing in his vicinity and none such of is acquainted with the opinions of his neighbors concerning his services He removed to the County of Bedford a stranger to everybody there and it is not therefore to be supposed that he can easily procure such a certificate at that required from that particular [illegible] of individuals He is however well known in his present neighborhood to many respectable private

citizens who can testify as to his character for veracity  
and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revo  
lution [illegible]. Thomas Preas and William [illegible]

He makes the following answers to the Several interrogatives  
prescribed by the War Department.

To the first he answers – In the County of Fauquier in the  
State of Virginia in the year 1757 –

To the Second he answers – I have no record of my age –

To the third he answers – In the County of Fauquier in the State of  
Virginia. I have lived since the Revolutionary War a Short time  
in Fauquier County, the balance of the time in Bedford Coun  
ty in Virginia where I now reside –

To the fourth he answers – I volunteered

To the 5<sup>th</sup> he answers – See the copy of the Declaration for answers

To the Sixth he answers – I received a discharge from Col.

Triplett it is now lost or mislaid

To the Seventh he answers – See the Declaration [illegible] as  
above –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or  
annuity except the present and declares that his name is not  
on the pensioners roll of any agency in any State –

his

Elisha Barton

mark

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open  
Court

We Thomas Preas and William [illegible] residing in  
the County of Bedford hereby certify that we are well acquaint  
ted with Elisha Barton who has subscribed and sworn to  
the foregoing declaration that we believe him to be 76 years  
years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neigh  
borhood where he resides to have been a Soldier of the  
Revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Thomas Preas [illegible]

William Shrewsberry

Sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinions after the  
investigation of the matter and after following the interrogations  
prescribed by the War Department That the above named ap  
plicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and served as he states  
And the Court further certifies that it appears to them that

Rev. and 1812  
Wars Section  
AWF/scl

[typed letter]

June 27, 1929

Cemetary Branch  
Office of the Adjutant General  
War Department  
Washington, D.C.

Sirs:

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.19198, it appears that Elisha Barton was born in 1757, in Fauquier County, Virginia.

While residing in said Fauquier County, he enlisted in 1781, and served six months as a private in Captain William Triplett's Virginia Company.

He was allowed pension on his application executed March 26, 1834, at which time he was living in Bedford County, Virginia.

Respectfully,

EARL D. CHURCH  
Commissioner

*Tombstone Dates  
No family data*