

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of Robert Brenton S16062

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State of Indiana } SS.

Clarke [sic: Clark] County } On this 23^d day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honourable John F. Ross president judge of the Circuit Court of Clarke County in the state aforesaid and John Carr and Samuel Prather his associates now sitting, Robert Brenton a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn according to law on his oath doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That in the year 1778 he entered the service in the militia as substitute for Henry Brenton who was drafted in Monongahala County in the State of Pennsylvania [sic: see endnote], under Generals [Lachlan] McIntosh and Broadhead [sic: Col. Daniel Brodhead] in a regiment commanded by Col. William Crawford. His Captain's name was Swearingin [sic: Swearingen] his Lieutenant's Smith and his Ensign's name was Joseph Alexander. That he marched in this Regiment as a private under these officers through a part of the region of Country now called the State of Ohio on a Campaign against the Indians to a place called Tuscarawas where he aided and assisted in erecting a fort [Fort Laurens near present Bolivar, 10 Nov 1778 - Jan 1779] His Captain's name was Andrew Swearingin [sic: Andrew Swearingen] his Lieutenant's name was Smith, and his Ensign's name was Alexander. From this place he was marched back to Fort McIntosh on the Ohio River [at present Beaver PA] where he was regularly discharged after having served four months. That he again entered the service of the United States under General George Rodgers Clark [sic: George Rogers Clark] as a volunteer in the year 1782 at Bryant's Station [Bryan's Station near Lexington] in the State of Virginia, now Kentucky and from this place he was marched with the army to the mouth of Licking [Licking Creek] – where the army crossed the Ohio river and marched to the Shawnee towns on the Miami river, where they had a skirmish with the Indians. His Colonels name was Benjamin Logon [sic: Benjamin Logan], his captain's name was Samuel Kirkham [sic: Samuel Kirkham] the major's name not recollected. After this Skirmish with the Indians he was marched back with the army to the Ohio river and there discharged, after serving a tour of one month. He again entered the service of the United States as a drafted militia man in the year 1781 under Col. Benjamin Logan and Captain Joseph Kinkaid [sic: Joseph Kincaid] and served one month in assisting in the erection of a fort at the Falls of Ohio [at present Louisville]

In the year 1781 he served as a private soldier under Captain John Dougherty of the Militia for the term of one month, in a Company raised for the purpose of guarding McAfee's Fort in the State of Kentucky – being then a part of the State of Virginia. That he served in the Company of Captain Samuel Kirkham in the year 1782 under General George Rodgers Clark in the State of Kentucky for the term of one month – and was then discharged. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except John Brenton [pension application S16059]. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State or Territory; that he never received any written discharges

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] Robert Brenton

[Written vertically in margin] That he removed to the State of Kentucky in the year 1779 where he resided untill the year 1805 when he removed to Clark County in the State of Indiana where he now resides –

NOTE: "Monongahala County" may refer to Monongalia County, parts of which became parts of Washington and Fayette counties in Pennsylvania.