Pension application of John Montgomery [Elisha Atkins, Moses Atkins, Jesse Bowden, John Bowden, Thomas Bowden, Benjamin Parnel]

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I certify that Elijah Atkins entered into the Service of the United States in the 4th Virginia Regiment in February 1776 and that I have reason to believe he died or was killed in the Service as he has not since returned to his native County of Isle of Wight. Given under my hand & seal this the 1st of January 1808

S/ J. Parker, late
Colonel 5th V. Rt.

I do certify that John Montgomery entered into the Army of the US in February 1776 in the 4th Virginia Regiment in February 1776 that he continued in the Army until the capture of Lord Cornwallis, to my own knowledge & that I have reason to believe that he after went in the southern Army & that he was either killed or died in the service.

S/ Josiah Parker
late Colonel 5th V. Rt.
I do Certified that Benjamin Parnel entered into the Service of the United States in the 4th Regiment in February 1776 and that I have reason to believe that he died at Trenton in New Jersey in the year 1777, then in Smith's Company of said 4th Regiment.

S/ Josiah Parker
late Col. 5th V Regt.

I do certify that Joseph Parnel entered into the 4th Regiment of Virginia in February 1776 and served the time for which he enlisted and frequently after served under my Command until the capture of Lord Cornwallis.

Given under my hand & seal this 15th of November 1807

S/ Josiah Parker
late Col. 5th V. Regt.

I do certify that Jesse Bowden entered into the Service of the United States in February 1776 in the 4th V. Regt. and died in Philadelphia in 1777 while a soldier. Given under my hand & seal this 15th of November 1807.

S/ Josiah Parker
late Col. 5th V. Regt.

I do certify that John Bowden entered into the Service of the US in February 1776 in the 4th Regiment of Virginia & that he was left at Amboy in New Jersey the latter end of the year & is supposed to have died as his relations have not since heard of him, he being from the same County with myself. Given under my hand this 15th of November 1807

S/ Josiah Parker
late Col. 5th V. Regt.

I do Certify that Thomas Bowden entered into the 4th V. Regt. in the Service of the United States & served the time for which he enlisted and that I frequently had him under my command until before the capture of Lord Cornwallis at York at which time he was on duty at Portsmouth. Given under my hand & seal this 15th of November 1807

S/ Josiah Parker
late Col. 5th V. Regt.

It does not appear that John Montgomery, Joseph Parnel, Benjamin Parnel, Elisha Atkins, Moses
Atkins, Jesse Bowden, John Bowden and Thomas Bowden have drawn their bounty in lands
Warrant has lately issued for the services of Hugh Montgomery –

S/ Wm Price Regr.
January 4 1808