Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Virginia Pension Application of Robert Beckham VAS452 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

[From pension records in the Library of Virginia.]

I DO, with the advice of Council, hereby certify that Robert Beckham of Chesterfield about 45 years of age late private in the 12th Virginia Regiment, appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the service of The United States as to entitle him to the sum of Fifteen Pounds years; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786.

GIVEN under my hand at Richmond, this 14th day of October 1786 P. Henry [Gov. Patrick Henry]

I do hereby Certify that Robert Beaham late a Private in the 12th Virginia Regiment, Received a wound at the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], in the Head, by which he lost an Eye, & was otherwise so Disabled as to be rendered unfit for service & was Discharged Accordingly.

Given under my hand this 11th October 1786. James Wood Late B.G. [Brigadier General] On examination of Robert Beakman find he has received material Injury on the right side of his Head; he complains of such giddiness & vertigo on exercise as he says deprives him of Labour totally – 'tis not improbable but this may be case; & the other Eye (having lost the right) is, he says at times, very painful – which I believe. he merits compensation from his Country in my opinion

W. Foushee [William Foushee, surgeon]

June the 15th 1786 Received of Bernard Markham as Sheriff Chesterfield Fifteen Pounds for the within order in full.

Robert Bekham

Test/ Mary Bekham

Certificate Jan'y Court

Robert Beckham a Pensioner of the State is an Inhabitant of this county and the Sherif is ordered to pay him [several illegible words]

Chesterfield County 15th of July 1787

Received of Bernard Markham as Sheriff of Chesterfield County the sum of Fifteen pounds in full for the above order – Robert hisXmark Beckham

Test John Markham