

Certificate to the  
Governor & Council

2 Mar 1844

& Soldiers claim

Common<sup>th</sup> of Massachusetts

To His Excellency the Governor & the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council

This certifies that I have examined the claim of Amos Terrill of Plainfield, in the County of Hampden, and Commonwealth <sup>of Massachusetts</sup>, in the Army of the Revolutionary War, and served who was formerly a private Soldier, under ~~Col. John~~ Cap<sup>t</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. Burbeck station<sup>ed</sup> at Castle Island.

I am satisfied, from the documents produced in this case, <sup>and</sup> now in the files of this Office, that said Amos Terrill is entitled to the gratuity of the sum of Fifty dollars, according to the provisions of <sup>a</sup> the Resolve of the Legislature of this Commonwealth passed the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 1815.

Attest. Geo. W. Coffin

Land Officer

Land Agent -

2<sup>d</sup> March 1844.

To His Excellency the Governor  
and the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Council.



## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Secretary's Office, *Feb. 22 1844*

I hereby Certify, That, from an examination of the Books and Documents, relating to Military Services in the War of the Revolution, which remain in this Department, it appears that the name of Amos Terrill is borne upon the pay rolls of Capt Thos Fushing Capt. Lt. Wm Burbach at Castle Island as a private from March 24 1783 to Oct 24 1785. 2 years 7 months



And I further Certify, That, before search made for evidence of said facts, the application hereto annexed was filed in this Office, in the form in which the same now appears; that the search was made by myself and my clerks alone: and that said application and the certificate above set forth, contain all the facts and circumstances which tend to satisfy me of the identity of the party described in the application with the individual who rendered the service.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto affixed the Seal of the Commonwealth, the date above written.

John G. Peasey,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

will  
to make a copy of the  
to the Court  
years old

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF REVOLUTIONARY SERVICES, MADE  
BY THE PARTY WHO RENDERED THE SERVICE.

State of *Massachusetts*  
County of *Hampshire* Town of *Plainfield*

The Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is hereby requested to  
furnish evidence from the Rolls in his office, of my service in the war of the Revolution.

I enlisted from the town of *Abington* in the County of  
*Plymouth* and State of *Massachusetts* in the year  
1783 as a *Private* in the Company commanded by Captain  
or Col *Burbank* for in the term *three years*  
~~Regiment.~~ and I served as follows,\* viz:—

I enlisted in the month of *March* 1783  
and performed the service from that time  
on the Castle as it was called or Fort Independence  
under Col *Burbank*. I have no recollection  
of being attached to any Regiment.

I served on *Island* until the last of October  
1785 two years and seven months from the  
time I enlisted I then obtained a furlough  
from Lieut *Treat* the commanding Officer  
to see my friends with the privilege of hiring  
a Substitute if I pleased for the *three* months  
of my term which remained

\*Here describe as fully as may be, the length of service, the rank &c. of the claimant, or the capacity in which he  
served, and all other particulars known.



in which the same  
made by myself and my clerk  
application and the certificate above set forth  
and circumstances which tend to satisfy me  
the party described in the application with the in  
dered the service.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto  
of the Commonwealth, the date above written  
John C. [unclear]  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE  
BY THE PARTY WHEREOF

County of [unclear] State of [unclear]  
The Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is hereby  
furnish evidence from the Rolls in his office, of my service in the war of the [unclear]  
I enlisted from the town of [unclear] and State of [unclear]  
in the Company commanded by Captain [unclear]  
as a [unclear] 1783

Amos Merrill

I made a bargain with one Jacob Ford  
to take my plan and did not return  
to the Castle

I am now Eighty years old, and my memory does not enable me to state  
my services more fully than above stated.

And I do hereby constitute ~~William H. Garrison~~ of  
~~Boston~~ my Attorney in the premises.

WITNESS my hand, this twelfth day of January  
A. D. 1849.  
Amos Merrill  
mark

Signed by said Amos Merrill  
in my presence,

Elphahut Peckard  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

\*Here describe as fully as may be the length of service, the rank &c. of the claimant, or the capacity in which he served, and all other particulars known.

Amos Merrill

Declaration

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no other persons

and the entire property of the estate

of the estate of the deceased



Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Hampshire ss

On this nineteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three personally appeared before the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County Amos Terrill a resident of the town of Plainfield in the County of Hampshire and Commonwealth of Massachusetts aged Eighty years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the bounty granted by the State of Massachusetts for enlisting and serving three years in the Army of said State That he enlisted in the fore part of March 1783 into the service of said State into a company commanded by Col John Burbank & Luit Trott that he was stationed on what is now called Fort Independence and that he served out the full term for which he enlisted three years in that place Sworn and Subscribed the day and year above mentioned

Amos Terrill

Before me Eliphaz Packard Justice of the Peace  
Witness - Nathan Brant