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Goff, Simeon

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Berkshire

21.364  
Massachusetts

Simon G. off

Berkshire in the State of Mass  
who was Drum Major in the Corp. commanded  
by Captain Carpenter of the Regt. commanded  
by Col. Ganj in the 1st Mass  
and for 4 M. 21 or 22 3/4 \$109.30  
9.15  
30  
\$51.15 \$25.57  
\$127.87

Inscribed on the Roll of Mass  
at the rate of 51 Dollars 15 Cents per annum  
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 23 day of Apr.  
1835 and attested H. W. Bishop  
Senor

Amount to the 4th of Sep 35 \$127.87  
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4 Mar 35 25.57  
\$153.44

Recorded by P. C. Bates Clerk  
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Revolutionary Claim  
By June 7, 1832

Commonwealth of Massachusetts }  
County of Berkshire }

In this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in  
open Court before the Hon. William D. Walker Judge of the  
Court of Probate for said County now sitting at Lanesborough  
in said County Simon Goff a resident of Tisbury in the  
County of Berkshire and Commonwealth aforesaid aged Seventy  
eight years, who being first duly Sworn according to law, with  
on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain  
the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 4<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he served in the State troops of Massachusetts and Rhode  
Island under the following named officers and served as herein  
stated. — About the last of April 1775 I joined Capt.  
Samuel Bliss Company in Col. Timothy Willkes Regt. where  
I served as a Substitute for Benjamin Coomer till about the  
10<sup>th</sup> of May following, when I enlisted into the same Company  
and Regt. as a Soldier, and served at Roxbury and vicinity six  
Months and was discharged.

In the fore part of July 1776 I joined Capt. Nathaniel Carpenter  
Company in Col. Simon Carey's Regt. in Gen. Follers' Brigade  
as a Substitute for Joseph Pierce, and served as a Drum  
Major until the first of December 1776 at New York and  
was dismissed. — In August 1777 I enlisted into a  
Volunteer Company commanded by Capt. John Paine and  
Marched to Riverston in the State of Rhode Island where  
I served as a Soldier one Month and was dismissed.

About the first of October 1777 I was drafted and joined Capt.  
James Hills Company in Col. Williams Regt. in the Massachusetts  
Militia and Marched to Riverston and served as a Soldier  
one Month and was dismissed.

In August 1778 I joined Capt. Abimelec Priggs Company  
in Col. John Matthews's Regt. as a Substitute for  
Basto and served on Rhode Island as a Soldier  
twenty days and was dismissed.

I was born in Rehoboth County of Bristol Mass.  
January 18<sup>th</sup> 1754 where I lived till June 1799 when  
I moved to Saway in the County of Berkshire Mass  
where I have resided till now.

My name is recorded in the town Book of Rehoboth  
and I have a record in my house. - In proof of which I  
refer to Disposition of John Ingraham, Amos Goff and Peter Briggs annexed.  
I hereby relinquish every claim what ever to a pension or  
annuity <sup>of the present</sup> except and declare that my name is not on the  
pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Simon Goff  
Subscribed and sworn to the day & year aforesaid  
W. T. Walker, J. Probate

We Nathaniel Mc Culloch a Clergy man residing in the  
Town of Saway and William Ingraham residing in sd.  
Town hereby certify, that we are well acquainted with  
Simon Goff who has subscribed and sworn to the  
above declaration that we believe him to be twenty  
eight years of age, that he is reputed and believed in  
the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a  
Soldier of the revolution and that concurs in that opinion  
Nathaniel McCulloch  
William Ingraham

Berkshire Co - September 22<sup>d</sup> 1832

Then personally appeared before me Nathaniel Mc Culloch and  
William Ingraham and made oath that they believe the above  
certificate by them subscribed to be true

Smellern Parrott Justice of the Peace

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Berkshire Co. On this fourth day of June  
A.D. 1833. Personally appeared in open Court  
before the Hon. William P. Wallcut, Judge of the  
Court of Probate for said County now sitting at  
Lenox in said County, Simeon Goff a resident  
in Savoy in the County of Berkshire Commonwealth  
aforesaid, who being first duly sworn  
according to law doth on his oath make  
the following declaration in addition to his  
former declaration made before S. Judge  
on the twenty fifth day of September last to  
which this is annexed, viz. That when  
he was dismissed at Roxbury as stated in  
his original declaration hereto annexed he  
received a discharge which he has lost.  
That at the expiration of his other terms  
of service he was dismissed without receiving  
any written discharge. That by reason of old  
age & the consequent loss of memory he can  
not positively swear as to the precise length of  
his service, but according to the best of his recol-  
lection he served not less than the periods men-  
tioned below and in the following grades. In the  
year 1775 he served six months & ten days as a  
soldier. For the year 1776 he served four months  
& twenty one days as a drum-major. In the year  
1777 he served two months as a soldier. & in 1778  
he served twenty days as a soldier & for such  
services he claims a pension - Simeon Goff

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.  
William P. Wallcut

**BRIEF in the case of** *Simon Goff*  
**Co of Berkshire** **in the State of Mass**  
**(Act 7th June, 1839.)**

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *of just courts*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *73*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

Period.	Duration of Service.			Rank.	Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served.
	Years,	Months,	Days.	As a	Gen.
<i>April</i>	<i>In 1775 substitute absent</i>		<i>10</i>	<i>Private</i>	<i>Capt Bliss Col Walker</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>1776 substitute about</i>	<i>6</i>		<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>1777 volunteer</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>Private</i>	<i>Capt Peain</i>
<i>October</i>	<i>" drafted</i>	<i>1</i>		<i>"</i>	<i>Capt Hill Col Williams</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>1778 substitute</i>		<i>20</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Capt Biggs Col Matthews</i>

5. In what battles was he engaged? *none*

6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Northboro Co N. Island*

7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditional evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *by tradition only and*

8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? *Three living witnesses  
not properly attached - the Magistrate is not officially certified  
all the tours of service are not precisely stated*

I Certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

*George Poyser*

Examining Clerk.