

Records of Maryland Troops in the Continental Service

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A Return of the Men Draughted in Worcester County, May the first, 1781.

Henry Ayrs	Adkins Dennis	William Lynes
Daniel B. Bayley	Richard Dolvin	Isaac Marshal
Smyth Bagwell	William Dunkin	William Marshall
Edward Bishop	Daniel Eashom	James Mumford
Isaac Boston	Reubin Elbon	Levin Newton
William Brada	William Elbon	Elias Penewell
Jesey Brattan	John Ewens, of Jushua	Alexander Porter
John Brevard	Thomas Farmer	Levi Powell
Isaac Brillingham	George Finley	Abraham Reynolds
AUGUSTINE BRYAN	John Gleen	James Reynolds
JAMES BRYNE	William Grace	Shadrick Sap
William Butler	John Gray	Absolom Scott
Edward Chambers	Richard Green	James Sheppard
James Chambers	William Guggon	John Starkey
John Collins	Thomas Handley	Richard Sturgis
William Conner	William Handy	Kendal Taylor
Henry Corckwell	Midleton Harmon	William Taylor
William Cowley	Henry Harris	John Thomas
Edward Cropper	John Harris	George Turner
Ruben Cropper	Seth Hutson	Henry Williams
Levi Cropper, of Natl.	Jacob Jefferies	James Wilson
Joseph Dashiell, Lieut.	John Johnson	William Wilson
Richard Demby	William Jones	Ishmael Wroth
	Elisba Long	

Class 18 drafted May 5

Timothy Conner
Thomas Wood

Agreeable to the assessment we made out thirty-nine Classes of sixteen Thousand pounds each & every Class, (except one), has furnished a recruit for three years according to the above list. The deficient Class was drafted on the fifth day of May & I hope that a recruit for three years will be produced for that Class. Alexander Boys passed by Class NO- 35, we discovered was subject to fits; who we have since discharged, the Class agreeing to pay their proportion to the State. The said Boys having received but a small sum.

W. Bordley. May 16th, 1781. during the War of the American Revolution, 1775-83.

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"Whereas the British king, regardless of the rights of mankind, and of the United States in particular, continues the ravages of war with relentless fury ; and whereas the deficiency of the continental regular lines, makes it absolutely necessary to call forth a respectable body of militia, till those lines be completed; It is also earnestly recommended to the state of Maryland, immediately to raise, arm, equip and accoutre for the field, two battalions of infantry, consisting of nine companies of 64 rank and file each; and a corps of cavalry of 64 troopers; And it is further recommended to cause the said troops, as soon as raised, to be marched to such place or places as the commander-in-chief shall direct, to remain in the service for and during the space of three months, unless sooner discharged by Congress or the commander-in-chief, and to be subject to the orders of the commander-in-chief."

MARYLAND ACTS-MAY, 1781

"An ACT to raise two battalions of militia for reinforcing the continental army and to complete the number of select militia.

WHEREAS it hath been earnestly recommended by congress to call forth two battalions of militia in this state, for the purpose of aiding and assisting our friends, now actually invaded, in the southern states, and this present general assembly have thought it reasonable and necessary to comply with the said recommendation:

Be it therefore exacted, by the General *Assembly of Maryland, That thirteen hundred and forty effective men, to compose the non-commissioned officers and privates of two battalions of militia, to be officered according to the resolutions of congress of the third and twenty-first days of October last, be immediately raised in this state, in manner hereafter directed, to act in conjunction with the continental army until the tenth day of December next.

And be it enacted, That the said two battalions be apportioned upon and raised in the several counties, according to the number of militia in each county.

And be it exacted, That proper persons shall be appointed in each county by the governor and council, to procure the said number of militia men on or before the 16th of July next, by voluntary enrollment, and where several persons are appointed to recruit in any county, he that shall procure the highest number of recruits exceeding twenty, shall be entitled to a commission as lieutenant and he