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Know all men by these presents, that I, Anna Pierce, of the  
 County of Lawrence and State of Ohio, daughter of Miller Nelson  
 late deceased of said County, do by these presents constitute and  
 appoint Richard M. Ross, of the City of Washington District of  
 Columbia my true and lawful attorney, to examine any, and  
 all papers now on file in the Pension Office for a pension filed by  
 my father, and to do such acts as are necessary & legal to examine  
 and prosecute the same to a final decision. In witness whereof I have  
 hereunto set my hand & seal, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, A.D. 1853  
 Witness my presence & seal  
 Anna <sup>the</sup> Pierce  
 Mahala Bell  
 John S. Henry

State of Ohio  
 County of Lawrence }  
 Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace  
 Anna Pierce, of the County & State aforesaid, who acknowledged that  
 she signed & sealed the above power of attorney for the use and  
 purpose therein contained - Witness my hand and seal, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
 of November, A.D. 1853  
 John S. Henry J.P.

State of Ohio  
 County of Lawrence }  
 I, Thomas Proctor, Clerk of the Court of  
 Common Pleas for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that  
 John S. Henry Esquire before whom the above power of attorney  
 was acknowledged was at the time an acting Justice of the Peace in  
 and for the County & State aforesaid & that full faith & credit is due to all  
 his official acts. Witness my hand and seal of said County  
 this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, A.D. 1853.  
 Thomas Proctor

[POWER OF ATTORNEY.]

Know all men by these presents, That *Elizabeth White*, of the County of *Lancaster*, and State of *Ohio*, for and in consideration of

do hereby make, constitute, and appoint, L. BLANCHARD TRUE, of Washington City, D. C., true and lawful Attorney, for and in name, to examine all papers filed in any Department or Office of Government, upon which a Pension was granted to on account of the services of and to obtain, by all lawful means, any and all additional amounts that may be due from the United States to said by virtue of said services, as in the Company of Capt.

in the Regiment of and in the line of the forces of And for good and sufficient reasons do hereby REVOKE and CANCEL any and all other Powers of Attorney and authority which may at any former time have given to any person or persons for the above specified purposes; and do hereby vest the same irrevocably in said Attorney herein appointed, said L. Blanchard True.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of March, in the year A. D. 1854

In presence of *Elizabeth White* *John S. Henry*

*Elizabeth White* SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL

STATE OF *Ohio* COUNTY OF *Lancaster* } ss. On this 28th day of *March* in the year A. D. 1854 personally appeared before me *John S. Henry* a Justice of the Peace in and for the county aforesaid

*Elizabeth White* the subscriber to the above, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney to be her free act and deed, for the purposes therein mentioned; and made oath, in due form of law, that she is personally interested as the *heir* of *Mellen No. 1000* in said claim. And I further certify that *Elizabeth White* personally known to me to be the identical individual represented in the above power.

*John S. Henry* J. P. SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL

The State of Ohio  
Lawrence County

On this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1865  
personally appeared in open Court before the Court of  
Common Pleas in and for said county of Lawrence now  
sitting Milton Robbins a resident of Union Township in  
the county of Lawrence aforesaid aged eighty seven  
years on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July last first who being first  
duly sworn according to his oath on his oath to make the  
following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of  
this act of Congress passed June 7 1832. That he rendered  
the service of the United States under the following named  
officer and served as he now states

That in the month of July (the year he does not  
recall otherwise than it was about a year before the  
battle of Monmouth) while living in Orange Township  
Upper county in the State of New Jersey about the age of  
seventeen as near as he can recollect he was drafted for a  
three months term in the military service of the United States  
that the Captain of the Company to which he was attached  
was Captain Caleb Sweeney that the same Company was made  
up of men drafted from three Companies stationed in the  
neighborhood of depont and is as recalled from that  
place to Trenton in New Jersey that at Trenton the Company  
was attached to a battalion of militia commanded by  
Major Robert Hoopes that said battalion composed a part  
of a body of militia then stationed at Trenton consisting as  
near as depont can recollect of about one thousand men  
the commanding officer he does not recollect with certainty  
but is strongly impressed that it <sup>was</sup> Colonel West. That while  
stationed at and about Trenton the service of the said body  
of militia to which he was attached was to guard the  
location of the county and the Delaware river against  
incursions and depredations of the British who then lay in

body in Philadelphia under the command of Lord Howe. That during this time of service he was not engaged in any battle or skirmish that there were no continental companies or regiments in any direct situation during his service and that he served with honors. That at the end of three months for which he was drafted he was discharged regularly by the Captains of his company the said Captain Gadsden Sweeney having served three months <sup>as private</sup> with his comrades etc. & served honorably. That he was not engaged in any civil business or employment during his time of service that <sup>there was</sup> ~~there was~~ <sup>never</sup> ~~never~~ <sup>was</sup> a written discharge from service nor any document or any evidence of his service and that he knows of no persons whose testimony he can produce who can testify to his service.

That the next year in the month of June while living in the said township of the force in the county of Suffolk respondent was again drafted for a six months term the Captain of the company to which he was attached was the same Captain Sweeney above mentioned. That the militia of the county were collected at the force meeting house in said Suffolk county where his company was marched and where a battalion was formed of between five and six hundred men under the command of Major Anthony Squires. That with said battalion he was immediately marched towards Monmouth in New Jersey that he recollects on the way of passing through the town of Mansfield and the situation that on the day immediately preceding that on which the battle of Monmouth was fought the battalion to which he was attached reached the vicinity of Monmouth and was united with the Continental Army under the immediate command of General Washington that on the next day the battle of Monmouth was fought in which he was engaged. He recollects that this battle was fought in the latter part of the month of June - the particular day of the month he does not remember - he recollects that the weather was

decisively is wrong. Deponent was in the rear division of the army on this occasion and he recollects distinctly the surprise and apprehension that all was lost manifested upon observing the advanced division under General Lee retreating. Of the general officers of the Continental Army present on that occasion he recollects of hearing of (though he does not pretend that he saw them all) Generals Washington Lee Lafayette Green Wayne and Colonel Mifflin. Of the soldiers he recollects General Mifflin who he thinks he commanded the regiment to which deponent was attached. That after the battle of Monmouth the body of soldiers to which deponent was attached was marched to Trenton and encamped in and about Trenton till the departure of their six months term preceding the ordinary or common practice for any soldier who had completed their service. That at the end of six months he was verbally discharged by his Captain and returned home. That he has never had a written discharge nor any documentary evidence of the last service and that he knows of no persons whose names among he can produce who can testify to his service. That he was engaged in no civil business or employment during this last mentioned term of service.

In answer to the interrogatories in the regulations put by the said Court deponent answers as follows. That he was born in the Township of Oldfield County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey. That he has no record of his age that from recollection he believes himself to be eight and seven years and the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July last that he was born in the year 1758. That he was living in the said Township of Oldfield as before mentioned when he was called into service that he lived at the place of his birth in New Jersey until he was about sixty years old he then removed to the State of New York and resided ever

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That I was born in [unclear] county in that State until the year 1841 when he removed to his present residence in Laramie county Ohio where he has since resided. That he was drafted into the service as above stated. That as to the regular officers with the troops where he served and as to the continental and militia regiments and general circumstances of his service he remembers nothing of consequence than as above stated in the declaration. That he never received a discharge from the service other than as above stated. That he is known to James Kelly Johnson & Richard Morrison & David Fudge of his present neighborhood who can testify to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any State.

Signed and subscribed the day and year first of service in open Court.

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 Miller & Robbins  
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Wm. H. [unclear]

New Jersey.

Robbins, Miller

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Robbins.