

State of New Jersey Morris County.

Before the subscriber a Justice of peace in & for said County of Morris personally appeared Isaac Bradell of said County, well known to me as a man of truth & fair character, who being by me duly sworn according to Law, saith as follows. viz: I am in the 77th year of my age since the 21st day of August last - am a pensioner of the U. States for Military Service in the war of the Revolution. Was a private in Capt. Peter Layton's Co. of Morris Co. Militia when I was but 13 years old. I lived with my father on Longhill Morris Co. close upon the line which separates Morris from Somerset County. Captain Gawin McKey, lived just over the line, & in Somerset County & had command of the Company of Militia which was adjoining Capt. Layton's. I was personally well acquainted with John Brand, who lived in Somerset County, close upon the Somerset & Morris County line & he lived within the bounds of Capt. McKey's company. In March 1778, I performed one month's Military duty in Captain Ward's company, at Elizabethtown, as a substitute for my father John Bradell, in Col. Sully's Regiment, & under Genl. Mifflin's command performing guard duty. John Brand was then on the same service with me, & in the same Company, viz: in Captain Ward's, as a substitute for Isaac Miller, who hired John Brand to go in his stead. I stood guard myself with Brand several times during that month.

On my return home from that tour of service with John Brand in April 1778, my father, John Bradell moved with his family from Longhill Morris County into the County of Sussex, N. Jersey, about one mile from the Delaware river, & did not again see said John Brand until late in December 1780, between Christmas & New Year, when I was on my way down from Sussex to Longhill, I met said John Brand, in Baskingridge in Somerset County, driving a Continental Wagon with 4 horses, coming toward Morris town. Being old acquaintances, we stopped & had some talk together. He told me he had a load of grain, which he had brought from Paritan, & was taking it to the Camp at Morris town when the U. States Army then lay. David Doty, another old acquaintance was with him driving another public team & several others, also with wagons & teams loaded & on the farm service, then under Henry Southard Esq. then commanding said Brigade of teams.

I was then a weaver by trade, which I had learned in Sussex Co. & my old friends about Baskingridge urged me to stay & live with them which I did, - making my home with Thomas Kinman, whose youngest daughter I afterwards married. During the month of January 1781, & also in February 81, I often saw said John Brand carting Hay - feed & Corn, from Baskingridge & Longhill, for the Army at Morris town, driving the farm wagon & horses, with David Doty & others of Southard's Brigade. In March 81, John Brand

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to my father in Law. Thomas Kinnan, with a team & wagon belonging to the Army
& carried away a load of flour for the Army, & drove off toward Morris town. He
then told me they had transferred him from Southard's Brigade to Dixon's
Brigade. & it was not the same set of horses, but I recollect the wagon & team had
all the appearance of a Continental team, harness, wagon cover & all, being branded
or marked U. S. A. There were other Continental teams in company, & carried away
hay & other provisions from our night towns near us. How long Baird continued in
this team I cannot tell. But I believe it was as late as the middle of March
in 1781, when I last saw him so engaged. —

I also know the wife of John Baird before his marriage. She was
Mary Bethorn, & they were married soon after the close of the war, about 1782, or 83.
The precise year of John Baird's death, I cannot now tell, but I know his
widow, & only believe she has never married since his death.

Sworn & subscribed before me, at Morris town, September 27th 1839

Silas L. Condict J^r

Isaac Bedell