



Dear Regents,

The Patriot Records Project Committee is a stay-at-home way to accumulate Service to America hours while indexing Revolutionary War era records. This index has the potential to aid Registrars, Lineage Research Committees, State Applications Teams, Supplemental Committees, the general public and many others. DAR member volunteers are indexing every name on every page of Revolutionary War documents that span over 75 years, creating a searchable database available via dar.org/grs. Most of these records are not easily accessible, nor do they contain a searchable every name index...until now!

Volunteers are needed!! Currently, twenty percent (20%) of WV Chapters are participating in this valuable resource for genealogists, historians, teachers, and scholars. I am asking you to encourage your chapter members to volunteer for this committee by describing the benefits of the interesting work that is being done. This is a fantastic way to Celebrate Stars and Stripes as we showcase the exploits of American patriots who sacrificed so much to provide us the freedoms we enjoy today. The only requirements are internet access and the ability to read cursive handwriting. There is email support available seven days a week, 365 days a year at patriotrecords@nsdar.org. There is also a webinar that takes you through the steps of indexing on the Patriot Records Project committee page on the members only website (members.dar.org).

I am looking forward to more WV daughters volunteering for this exciting project. Please email me if you have any questions.

In DAR Friendship,

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EARN A VOLUNTEER PIN

Upon the completion of 10,000 indexed names, a volunteer is eligible to purchase the Patriot Records Project pin for wear on the official NSDAR ribbon.



Volunteers who have indexed 10,000 Patriot names for the Patriot Records Project are eligible to purchase this pin. Bars are available for an additional 10,000 Patriot names (a total of 20,000). A quill is added to the bar for each additional 10,000 names (a total of 30,000), up to 5 quills (a total of 70,000). Volunteers should only purchase the add on bar once they've earned their first quill. Approval required.



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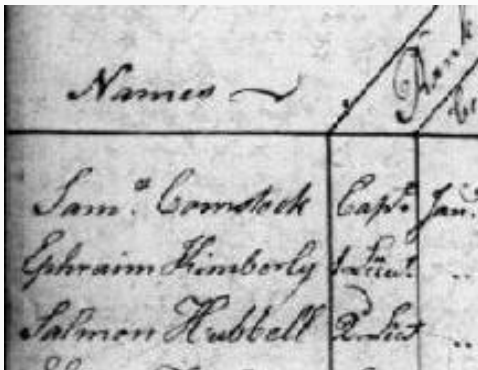
For more info, visit:
dar.org/patriotrecordsproject

Committee Email:
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WHO WE ARE:

The Patriot Records Project Committee is a volunteer service committee bringing to light the names of men, women, and businesses who rendered support to American Independence.

Volunteers for this project are meticulously indexing every name on every page from 75 years worth of Revolutionary records. Until now, the majority of these records were not easily searchable. By creating this every name index, our volunteers are making it easier than ever before to research Patriot ancestors.



VIEWING RECORDS:

All indexes created through the efforts of the Patriot Records Project volunteers are free to access by both members and the general public through the DAR Genealogical Research System (GRS) Rev War Tab. Please share the database with your chapter, friends, and the members of your community.



To access the records, visit:
www.dar.org/grs

HOW TO HELP:

If you are interested in volunteering for the Patriot Records Project, please visit our committee page on the Members Only website and click "Volunteer Now".

Volunteers can work as little or as much as they would like. Some record sets are difficult to read and require more time.

Time spent on the Patriot Records Project can be reported as community service for Service to America! Simply log the hours as online indexing and check Historic Preservation under categories.