



# Maryland Revolutionary Tax Records

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The Maryland State Archives holds a number of Revolutionary tax records. The Subcommittee on Revolutionary Taxes has evaluated most, if not all of these records and determined that a significant number of them were for taxes that supported the War or honored a request of the Continental Congress. Such records provide a basis for Patriotic Service for an ancestor for the Sons of the American Revolution.

Many lists that provide a basis for Patriotic Service are available, courtesy of the Maryland State Archives, in the SAR Library in Louisville and posted by the Maryland Society SAR, at: <http://www.marylandsar.org/marylandtaxlists1783>. Plans are to make all of these records available. The Maryland and District of Columbia Societies, Sons of the American Revolution provided funding.

The purpose of this document is to list concisely those records that have been determined to provide a basis for Patriotic Service and those which have not. For those that do provide a basis for Patriotic Service, an explanation is provided in the introductory notes at the beginning of that Maryland PDF tax list found at the SAR Library and on the Maryland Society SAR website. Detailed instructions are also provided in the introductory notes about which pages to submit as evidence of service for an ancestor meeting SAR Patriotic Service requirements. Some records also contain names of people who do not qualify, but are also listed. These include paupers, who were exempt from taxes, people charged a penalty on their state tax, and men reported on sub-lists of those over 18 and under 21. A very brief explanation of why certain lists have not been deemed to provide a basis for Patriotic Service is also provided below.

## Tax Records that Provide a Basis for Patriotic Service

County	Year and Title	Maryland State Archives Citation	Hundreds / Districts
Anne Arundel	1783 Supply Tax	General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-1 through 17, Locations 01/04/05/044 and 01/04/05/045; except for Upper Fork and Bear Ground also on microfilm reel SCM 871-1 through 12, through 14, 20, 26, and 33.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annapolis Hundred</li> <li>• Broad Neck Hundred</li> <li>• Elkridge Hundred</li> <li>• Elkridge Landing Hundred</li> <li>• Herring Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Lower Part Herring Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Huntington Hundred</li> <li>• Lyons Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Magothy Hundred</li> <li>• Middle Neck Hundred</li> <li>• Patuxent Hundred</li> <li>• Patapsco Hundred</li> <li>• Upper Part Road River Hundred</li> <li>• Lower Part Road River Hundred</li> <li>• Severn Hundred</li> <li>• South River Hundred</li> <li>• Town Neck Hundred</li> <li>• West River Hundred</li> <li>• Upper Fork and Bear Ground Hundred</li> </ul>
Baltimore	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-18 through 29, Location 01/04/05/045; except for Delaware Lower Hundred also on microfilm reel SCM 871-13, 15 through 19, and 21 through 25.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back River Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Baltimore East Hundred</li> <li>• Delaware Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Delaware Upper Hundred</li> <li>• Deptford Hundred</li> <li>• Gunpowder Upper Hundred</li> <li>• Middle River Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Middle River Upper and Back River Upper Hundreds</li> <li>• Middlesex Hundred</li> <li>• Mine Run Hundred</li> <li>• North hundred</li> <li>• Pipe Creek Hundred</li> </ul>

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County	Year and Title	Maryland State Archives Citation	Hundreds / Districts
Calvert	1782 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: Maryland State Archives, Accession Problems and Miscellaneous, MSA T68-30-19, Location 02/04/02/030.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lyon’s Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Upper Hundred Clifts</li> <li>• Hunting Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Elkridge Landing Hundred</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leonard’s Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Lower Hundred Clifts</li> <li>• Elton Head Hundred</li> </ul>
Calvert	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: State, General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-30 through 32, Location 01/04/05/046; also on microfilm reel CM 1296-1 through 3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First District</li> <li>• Second District</li> <li>• Third District</li> </ul>
Caroline	1781 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: Caroline County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1781, MSA C467-1, Location 01/03/04/036.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choptank Hundred</li> </ul>
Caroline	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-33 to 35, Location 01/04/05/046, on microfilm reel SCM 871-27.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower Choptank District</li> <li>• River District</li> <li>• Upper Choptank District</li> </ul>
Cecil	1781 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: State, Scharf Collection, Commissioners of the Tax, MSA S1005-111-7, Location 01/08/05/006.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Susquehanna Hundred</li> </ul>
Cecil	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-36 through 41, Locations 01/04/05/046 and 01/04/05/047; also on microfilm reel SCM 871-28 through 33.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 1: Bohemia, West and North Sasafras Hundreds</li> <li>• District 2: Middle Neck, Bohemia Manor and Back Creek Hundreds</li> <li>• District 3: North Milford and East Nottingham Hundreds</li> <li>• District 4: South Milford and Elk Hundreds</li> <li>• District 5: West Nottingham, South Susquehanna and Charles Town Hundreds</li> <li>• District 6: North Susquehanna and Octorara Hundreds</li> </ul>
Charles	1782 Assessments in Different Moneys	Maryland State Archives Citation: Maryland State Archives, Accession Problems and Miscellaneous, 1782-1791, MSA T68-30-1, Location 02/04/02/030.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benedict Hundred</li> <li>• Bryan Town Hundred</li> <li>• Durham lower Hundred</li> <li>• Durham Upper Hundred</li> <li>• East Newport Hundred</li> <li>• East Upper Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Lower East Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Lower William &amp; Mary Hundred</li> <li>• Newport West Hundred</li> <li>• Pomonkey Hundred</li> <li>• Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Port Tobacco Upper Hundred</li> <li>• West Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Upper William &amp; Mary Hundred</li> </ul>

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County	Year and Title	Maryland State Archives Citation	Hundreds / Districts
Charles	1782 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: State, Scharf Collection, Commissioners of the Tax, MSA S1005-107-7 through 10 and 12 through 17, Location 01/08/05/071.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benedict Hundred</li> <li>• Durham Upper Hundred</li> <li>• East Newport Hundred</li> <li>• East Upper Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Lower East Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Lower William &amp; Mary Hundred</li> <li>• Newport West Hundred</li> <li>• Pomonkey Hundred</li> <li>• Port Tobacco Hundred</li> <li>• Port Tobacco Upper Hundred</li> <li>• West Port Tobacco Hundred</li> </ul>
Charles	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-42 through 53, Location 01/04/05/47 & 01/04/05/48; also on microfilm reel SCM 871-34 through 40.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 1: William &amp; Mary Upper and Lower Hundreds</li> <li>• District 2: East and West Newport Hundreds</li> <li>• District 3: Benedict and Bryan Town Hundreds</li> <li>• District 4: Port Tobacco Upper and Upper Part of East Port Tobacco Hundreds</li> <li>• District 5: Port Tobacco West and Pomonkey Hundreds</li> <li>• District 6: Port Tobacco Lower East and Town Hundreds</li> <li>• District 6: Durham Upper and Lower Hundreds</li> </ul>
Dorchester	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-54 through 56, Location 01/04/05/048; also on microfilm reel SCM 871-41 through 45 and 872-1 and 2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upper District</li> <li>• Middle District</li> <li>• Lower District</li> </ul>
Frederick	1778 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: State, Scharf Collection, MSA S1005-108, Location 01/08/05/072.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Middle Monocacy Hundred</li> </ul>
Frederick	1782 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: State, Scharf Collection, MSA S1005-108, Location 01/08/05/072.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Frederick Town Hundred</li> <li>• Piney Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Unity Hundred</li> </ul>
Harford	1783 Supply Tax	1783 Supply Tax, Scharf Collection, State, General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-57 to 68, Location 01/04/05/049; also on microfilm reel SCM 872-3 through 14.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broad Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Bush River Hundred</li> <li>• Bush River Upper and Eden Hundreds</li> <li>• Deer Creek Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Deer Creek Middle Hundred</li> <li>• Deer Creek Upper Hundred</li> <li>• Gunpowder Upper and Lower Hundreds</li> <li>• Harford Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Harford Upper Hundred</li> <li>• Spesutia Upper Hundred</li> <li>• Spesutia Lower Hundred</li> <li>• Susquehanna Hundred</li> </ul>

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Kent	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-69 through 73, Location 01/04/05/050; also on microfilm SCM 872-15, 16, 18, 21, and 24.  <i>*Note: land only is extant for Districts 2-5</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 1: Lower Langford Bay and Eastern Neck Hundreds</li> <li>• District 2: Chestertown and Upper Langford Bay Hundreds</li> <li>• District 3: Chester and Worten Hundreds</li> <li>• District 4: Morgans Creek and Lower South Sassafras Hundreds</li> <li>• District 5: Hundreds not identified</li> </ul>
Montgomery	1782 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-74 through 79, Location 01/04/05/051; also on microfilm SCM 872-27.  <i>* Note: The Maryland State Archives has catalogued this return as a 1783 Supply Tax. For reasons why this is in fact a 1782 list, see Eleanor M.V. Cook's article "Assessment of 1783 for Montgomery County," <b>The Archivist's Bulldog</b>, Vol. 11 #3, February 10, 1997. It can be found on the MSA website.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upper Potomac Hundred</li> </ul>
Montgomery	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-74 through 79, Location 01/04/05/051; also on microfilm SCM 872-26 and 28 through 32.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 1: Middle Potomac, Lower Potomac and Georgetown Hundreds</li> <li>• District 2: Sugarland and Upper Potomac Hundreds</li> <li>• District 3: Linganore and Sugar Loaf Hundreds</li> <li>• District 4: Upper Newfoundland and Seneca Hundreds</li> <li>• District 5: Lower Newfoundland, Rock Creek and Northwest</li> </ul>
Prince George's	1788 and 1779 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: Special Collections, Sheriff's Tax Collection Ledger, MSA CE282-1 (Formerly C1315-1), Location 00/08/04/42.  <i>Note: This document is accessible at <a href="http://speccol.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/speccol/catalog/cfm/dsp_number.cfm">http://speccol.mdarchives.state.md.us/msa/speccol/catalog/cfm/dsp_number.cfm</a>. Researchers should click on the collection description and use the public username and password, <b>aaco</b> and <b>aaco#</b>. The ledger also includes 1778 entries. For 1778 and 1779, the entries distinguish between the state tax and the county tax. The state taxes in effect for these two years both supported the War. Entries for 1780 and 1781 do not specify whether the tax was state or county and do not qualify. This ledger is not to be confused with the Sheriff's Tax Collection Ledger for 1780-1795.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Queen Anne's Parish</li> <li>• St. Paul's Parish</li> </ul>

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County	Year and Title	Maryland State Archives Citation	Hundreds / Districts	
Prince George's	1780 Supply Tax on Ready Money and Plate	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1780, MSA C1162-1 through 5, 7, 9 through 12, & 84, Location 01/21/10/011.  <i>*Note: The Maryland State Archives identified the returns for the Patuxent Hundred as 1783. There can be little doubt, however, that this return was mandated by the provision in the 1780 Supply Tax for a special certificate to be returned by the assessor for the ready money held at 7:00am on February 1, 1780. This is the only year such requirement is found.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charlotte Hundred</li> <li>• Collington Hundred</li> <li>• Eastern Branch Hundred</li> <li>• Horsepen Hundred</li> <li>• Hynson Hundre</li> <li>• Mt. Calvert Hundred</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oxon Hundred</li> <li>• Patuxent Hundred</li> <li>• Rock Creek Hundred</li> <li>• Washington Hundred</li> <li>• Western Branch Hundred</li> </ul>
Prince George's	1781 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1781, MSA C1162-13, Location 01/21/10/011.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patuxent Hundred</li> </ul>	
Prince George's	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA C1162-15, Location 01/21/10/011.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Scotland, Oxon and Bladensberg Hundreds</li> </ul>	
Queen Anne's	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-80 through 83, Location 01/04/05/051 & 01/04/05/052. These lists are not on microfilm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corsica District: Worrell and Island Hundreds</li> <li>• Island District: Ealsey, Upper Kent Island and Lower Kent Island Hundreds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuckahoe District: Wye and Tuckahoe Hundreds</li> <li>• Upper District: Town and Chester Hundreds</li> </ul>
Somerset	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-84 through 94, Location 01/04/05/052; also on microfilm SCM 873-2 through 5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wicomico District: Nanticoke and Wicomico Hundreds</li> <li>• Rewastico District: Rewastico Hundred</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Princess Anne District: Monokin, Princess Anne and Monye Hundreds</li> <li>• Annemessex District: Great Annemessex, Little Annemessex, Pocomoke and Dividing Creek Hundreds</li> </ul>
Talbot	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-95 through 101, Location 01/04/05/053; also on microfilm SCM 872-34 through 39.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 1: Bay and Mill Hundreds</li> <li>• District 2: Island, Tuckahoe and Kings Creek Hundreds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 3: Bolingbroke and Third Haven Hundreds</li> </ul>

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Washington	1783 Supply Tax	Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-102 through 107, Location 01/04/05/054. These lists are not on microfilm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marsh Hundred</li> <li>• Cumberland and Upper Old Town Hundreds</li> <li>• Wills Town and Sandy Creek Hundreds</li> <li>• Shipton and Murley's Run Hundreds</li> <li>• Elizabeth Hundred</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower Antietam and Sharpsberg Hundreds</li> <li>• Salisbury and Conococheague Hundreds</li> <li>• Fort Frederick and Linton Hundreds</li> <li>• Upper Antietam and Jerusalem Hundreds</li> </ul>
Worcester	1783 Supply Tax	<p>Maryland State Archives Citation: General Assembly, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA S1161-108 through 116, Location 01/04/05/053; also on microfilm SCM 872-40 through 47.</p> <p><i>*Note: It should be noted that there are inconsistencies in microfilm item numbers between the Maryland State Archives catalogues for MSA S1161 and MSA SM 59.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquango Hundred</li> <li>• Boquenorton Hundred</li> <li>• Buckingham and Worcester Hundreds</li> <li>• Mattopony Hundred</li> <li>• Pitt's Creek Hundred</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pocomoke Hundred</li> <li>• Queponoco Hundred</li> <li>• Snow Hill Hundred</li> <li>• Wicomico Hundred</li> </ul>

## Tax Records that **DO NOT** Provide a Basis for Patriotic Service

Levy lists, books, and papers document the support of civil functions at the county level. Although county taxes do not qualify as supporting the War or addressing requests of the Continental Congress, the disbursements are a valuable source of civil services. For the Revolutionary period of 1775 through 1783, we have found levy records for only five counties and not all of these actually contain tax lists. Most of those who are listed are insolvents whose names had been turned over to the sheriff for collection. All of the levy records identified for 1775 through 1783 are listed below, whether a tax list is included or not.

County	Year and Title	Maryland State Archives Citation	Hundreds / Districts
Baltimore	1776, 1780 and 1783 Levy Lists	Maryland State Archives Citation: Baltimore County, Court (Levy List), MSA C362-4 through 6, Location 02/59/10/001.	
Kent	1758 - 1784 Levy Lists	Maryland State Archives Citation: Kent County, Court (Levy List), MSA C1072-3, Location 01/15/04/012; also on microfilm reel CR 50569.	
Montgomery	1777 - 1780 Levy Lists	Maryland State Archives Citation: Montgomery County, Court (Levy List), MSA C1131-1 through 5, Locations 01/18/14/046 (1777) and 01/18/14/023 (1778-1780); also 1778-1780 on microfilm reel CR 12256-2 through 5.	
Prince George's	1760 - 1794 Levy Book	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Court (Levy Book), MSA C1245-2, Location 01/30/13/034.	
Prince George's	1781 and 1782 Levy Papers	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Court (Levy Papers), MSA C1249-1, Location 01/21/10/007.	
Prince George's	1780 Real Property	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1780, MSA C1162-4-6, Location 01/21/10/011.  <i>*Note: These real property lists contain no indication of whether they were compiled for the county levy or the state supply tax. The returns for the Horsepen and Hynson Hundreds are in the same folder with returns for the ready money, which do provide a basis for Patriotic Service.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horsepen Hundred</li> <li>• Hynson Hundred</li> <li>• King George Hundred</li> </ul>
Prince George's	1783 Real and Personal Property	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA C1162-14 and 20, Location 01/21/10/011.  <i>*Note: These personal property lists do not state whether they were compiled for the county levy or the state supply tax. The returns do conform to the requirements of the 1783 Supply Tax in the columns of taxable property and the mandatory valuation of slaves by age and gender categories. The Horsepen Hundred list is undated but the Maryland State Archives has classified it as a 1783 list; the second list does bear the year 1783 in two places on a page at the beginning that contains many scribbled notes. Further research and analysis may confirm that one or both of these returns were for the supply tax.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horsepen Hundred</li> <li>• Eastern branch &amp; Rock Creek Hundreds (perhaps)</li> </ul>

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Prince George's	1783 Real Property	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Assessment Record, 1783, MSA C1162-14 and 16 through 19, Location 01/21/10/011.  <i>*Note: These real property lists contain no indication of whether they were compiled for the county levy or the state supply tax. Many are undated but have been classified as 1783 lists by the Maryland State Archives.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Horsepen Hundred</li> <li>• Hynson Hundred</li> <li>• Patuxent Hundred</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prince Frederick Hundred</li> <li>• Upper Marlboro Hundred</li> <li>• Western Branch Hundred</li> </ul>
Prince George's	1780 - 1795 Sheriff's Tax Collection Ledger	Maryland State Archives Citation: Prince George's County, Commissioners of the Tax, Tax Collection Record, MSA C1315-2, Location 01/30/13/002.  This ledger contains late taxes and taxes not identified as state taxes. Any state taxes in this volume no later than 1783 would qualify as evidence of Patriotic Service. This ledger is not to be confused with the Sheriff's Tax Collection Ledger for 1779-1781.		