

Montgomery County, Maryland Levy Lists

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Montgomery County was one of two Maryland counties from which the District of Columbia was created in 1790. The Revolutionary records of these counties are of special interest to the District of Columbia Sons of the American Revolution (SAR). Five levy lists of Montgomery County are preserved in the Maryland State Archives: 1777, March and November 1778, 1779, and 1780 (C1131-1 through 5). Copies of the original lists appear here courtesy of the Maryland State Archives.

The lists also record payments for goods and services that do provide evidence of Revolutionary service, especially for office holders and jurors. Fines are also recorded for offenses such as bastardy, breach of the peace, and selling liquor without a license.

Only the 1777 list provides the names of those taxed. Under current SAR Genealogy Policy, payment of this tax is evidence of Revolutionary service. Our understanding is that DAR does not accept this list as evidence of Revolutionary service, but it should be acceptable for proving residence. The number in the column to the right of each name appears to be the number of tithables based on a spot comparison with the 1776 censuses for what was then in Frederick County. All eleven hundreds are included. The list for each hundred can be found on the following pages in that list.

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