

William Stockton

The son of Job Stockton and Anna Petty, William was born in Springfield, Burlington County, New Jersey on November 6, 1712, William Stockton married Mary Bryan May 1, 1736. They had eleven children. He died November 14, 1781 in Springfield, NJ. William Stockton suffered Loss of Property at the hands of the British during June 1778.

On 20 December 1781, the New Jersey Legislative Council and General Assembly passed an act (Chap. V, Laws of 1781, p. 6) authorizing appraisers in each county to make inventories for each damage claim, and then to file the inventories with the Legislature at their first sitting after each annual election. The act, as amended on 27 December 1781, stipulated that the appraisers meet beginning in August 1782. Some inventories were recorded as late as 1786. This lists 7,435 names recorded on 2,662 damage claims filed by New Jersey citizens. The claims describe losses incurred during the Revolutionary War at the hands of British forces, the Continental Army, New Jersey militia, and the militias of neighboring states.