

Brig. Gen. Thomas Westcott Commission 1807

By his Excellency *James Fenner*, Esquire, Governor,
Captain-General, and Commander in Chief, of the State of *Rhode-Island*
and *Providence Plantations*.

TO *Thomas Westcott*

Esq; Greeting.

YOU the said *Thomas Westcott* having been elected by the General Assembly, at
the Session held on the *fourth Monday in June instant* to the Office of *Brigadier General*
of the fourth Brigade of Militia in the State aforesaid, are
hereby, in the Name of State of Rhode-Island and Providence Plantations, authorized, empowered and commissioned, to exercise
the Office of *Brigadier General* of and over the *Brigade*
aforesaid; and to command and conduct the same, or any Part thereof. And in case of an Invasion, or Assault of a common
Enemy, to infest or disturb this State, you are to alarm and gather together the *Brigade* under your Command,
or such Part thereof as you shall deem sufficient; and therewith, to the utmost of your Skill and Ability, you are to
resist, expel and destroy them, in order to preserve the Interest of the good Citizens of this State. You are also to follow
such Instructions and Orders as shall, from Time to Time, be given forth, either by the General Assembly, the Governor and General
Council, or other your superior Officers. And for your so doing, this Commission shall be your sufficient Warrant and Discharge.

G I V E N under my Hand, and the Seal of the said State, this *twenty ninth* Day of

June in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and *seven*,

and in the *thirty-first* Year of Independence.

By his Excellency's Command,

Samuel Eddy Sec'y

J. Fenner

June 29, 1807 certificate promoting Thomas Westcott to Brigadier General in command of the Fourth Brigade of the Rhode Island Militia. Westcott Collection, Warwick (R.I.) Historical Society, Anonymous gift, August 8, 2020

By his Excellency Arthur Fenner Esquire,
Governor, Captain-General, and Commander in
Chief, of the State of Rhode Island and Providence
Plantations.

To Thomas Westcott Esq; Greetings.

You the said Thomas Westcott having been
elected by the General Assembly, at the Session
held on the Fourth Monday in June instant to
the Office of Brigadier General of the Fourth
Brigade of Militia in the state aforesaid, are
hereby, in the Name of State of Rhode-Island and
Providence Plantations, authorized, empowered
and commissioned, to exercise the Office
of Brigadier General of and over the Brigade
aforesaid; and to command and conduct the
same, or any Part thereof. And in the case of
an Invasion, or Assault of a common Enemy,
to infest or disturb this State, you are to alarm
and gather together the Brigade under your

Command, or such Part thereof as you shall
deem sufficient; and therewith, to the utmost of
your Skill and Ability, you are to resist, expel and
destroy them, in order to preserve the Interest
of the good Citizens of this State. You are also
to follow such Instructions and Orders, as shall,
from Time to Time, be given forth, either by the
General Assembly, the Governor and General
Council, or other your superior Officers. And for
your so doing, this Commission shall be sufficient
Warrant and Discharge.

GIVEN under my Hand, and the Seal of the said
State, this twenty-ninth Day of June in the Year of
our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven
and in the thirty-first Yyear of Independence.

By his Excellency's Command, J Fenner
Samuel Eddy, Sec'y

Kent Jt / At Warwick July 18th AD 1807 - Personally appeared the within
Named Thomas Westcott Esq and was Engaged to the within
Office to which he is Chosen and also Engaged to support the Constitution
of the united States -
Before me - Alexander Havens: Just Peace

Alexander Havens: Just Peace

Kent Jt / At Warwick August 23rd AD 1808 Personally appeared
the within in Named Thomas Westcott Esq and was Engaged
to the within Office to which he is Chosen and also Engaged
to support the Constitution of the united States -
Before me - Alexander Havens: Just Peace

Thomas Westcott, Esq.
Brigadiere General
4th Brigade

THOMAS WESTCOTT'S
WARRANT TO BRIGADIER
GENERAL IN THE
MILITIA - 1808, HE WAS A
SERGEANT IN THE
REVOLUTION.

June 29, 1807 certificate promoting Thomas Westcott to Brigadier General in command of the Fourth Brigade of the Rhode Island Militia, reverse side; endorsements. Westcott Collection, Warwick (R.I.) Historical Society, anonymous gift, August 8, 2020

Kent Jt / At Warwick July 18th AD 1807 -
Personally appeared the within Named Thomas
Westcott Esq and was Engaged to the faithful
Performance of the within Office to which he
is Chosen and also Engaged to support the
constitution of the united states.

Before me. Alexander Havens Just Peace

Kent Jt / At Warwick August 23rd AD 1808 -
Personally appeared the within Named Thos.
Westcott & and was Engaged to faithful
Performance of the within Office to which he
is Chosen and also Engaged to support the
Constitution of the united states.

Before me. Alexander Havens Just Peace

[verso so as to appear when folded]

Thomas Westcott, Esq.
Brigadiere {sic} General
4th Brigade

[on a piece of ruled paper attached]

Thomas Wescott's Warrant to Brigadier General in
the Militia - 1808. He was also a Sergeant in the
Revolution.