

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Nathan Williams BLWt1666-200

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I Zadock Williams son and heir at Law of Zadock Williams deceased who was the Elder Brother and Heir at law of Nathan or Nathaniel Williams a Captain of the Maryland line of the Army of the Revolution and was said to have fallen in battle in said Revolution, do upon oath testify and declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that the said Nathaniel Williams was a Captain of the Maryland line and fell in Battle in the year 1782 [sic: see note below] I further testify and declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land due me and the other heirs on the part of the United States, nore do I believe that the deceased ever received it or transfered his claim to it in any manner whatever — Therefore [the rest is power of attorney]

[signed 15 Jun 1830] Zedekiah Williams

State of Kentucky } Personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the
Jefferson County } Peace in and for said County Henry Northrup who being duly
sworn saith that being in Flemmingsburgh [sic: Flemingsburg] Ky in the month of September
1828 at which time the Circuit Court was there in Session. That two of the Brothers of Nathan or
Nathaniel Williams a Capt of the Maryland line of the Revolution living near[?] said place and
being then in town he the said deponent was informed by them that their Brother Nathan died
intestate and without having issue and that his eldest Brother and heir at law was Zadock who
was killed in that neighbourhood by the Indians forty years ago or more leaving the five children
(viz) Prudence. Henrietta Robert. Zadock and Nathaniel. That he deponent prepared the
necessary form of Record and the two Brothers (to wit) Robert and Jarrett went into Court and
Swore to it when the Record was made from which the Certificate of Heirship now at Washington
City is a copy That in June last when taking a power of attorney from Zadock Williams (who was
then at Work at the [illegible word] of Esq'r Thompson, being a stone mason and ten or fifteen
miles from his home and Residence) when about to sign stated that his name was Zedekiah and
that of his father also - but that they were allways called for Brevity Zedik or Zadock — that the
Record thus made at Flemmingsburg of heirship in which the name Zadock is written has been
solely an error of him deponent taking it for granted that when they called the name Zedik that
it was Zadock and not dreaming of its being Zedekiah untill so informed by [illegible] Williams at
the time of executing his power of attorney and further he saith not —

NOTES:

Lawrence Williams (pension application W9018) deposed as follows: "... in February 1777 he again enlisted near Hagerstown in Maryland for one year as a Recruiting and drill Sergeant in a Company raised and commanded by his brother Nathan Williams (who was afterwards killed at the Battle of Camden in South Carolina)..." The Battle of Camden occurred on 16 Aug 1780.

A deposition dated 8 Sep 1826 in Fleming County KY states that "Prudence Banfield, Henrietta Stewart, Robert Williams and Zadock Williams now living, and Nathan Williams deceased were the only children and heirs at law of Zadock Williams deceased, who was the eldest brother of Nathan Williams a Captain in the Maryland line of the Army of the revolution who fell in battle during said revolution without leaving issue."