

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Thompson R10562

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[f p. 2: Certificate from the clerk of the Brunswick County Virginia court stating that the records of said court show that Betsey Thompson orphan of William Thompson was bound as an apprentice to John Nicholson October 24, 1789. The certificate is not dated.]

[f p. 4: power of attorney given by William Brown in which he states that he is one of the heirs of William Thompson deceased a soldier of the revolution. The power of attorney is dated June 30, 18?2 [third digit unclear] in Greene County of Ohio. William Brown signed the document with his mark. His relationship, if any to the veteran is not stated.]

[f p. 7]

State of Ohio County of Greene SS

Be it known that before me B. Nesbitt a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and state aforesaid duly authorized to administer oaths personally appeared Margaret Cain, Betsey Moton and William Brown and made oath in due form of law that they are the children and heirs of Betsey Roberd deceased who was the daughter and heir of William Thompson who was a Soldier in the War the Revolution and who served four years and four months in said war in the American Continental Line in the State of Virginia and died during said war while in the service of the United States. They do not know what Company or Regiment he served in but herewith send two affidavits made by his comrades in the service which they hope will throw some light on the matter. They make this declaration for the purpose of obtaining from the United States the amount due them as heirs of said William Thompson for the four years and four months service rendered by said William Thompson in the war aforesaid

S/ Margaret Kane, X her mark

S/ Betsey Moton, X her mark

S/ Wm Brown, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before made this third day of March A.D. 1852

S/ Ben Nesbitt, JP

[f p. 9: Finding by the Clerk of court of Greene County of Ohio that satisfactory evidence has been presented to him that William Thompson was a soldier of the American Revolution; that he is dead; that he was not survived by any widow; that he only left one orphan whose name was Betsey Thompson; that Betsey Thompson married Abraham Roberd and that she is also dead and that she left four children surviving her namely: Polly Matthews, Betsey Moton, Margaret Cain and Lucy Brown who is dead and left one son who is now living William Brown. The finding is dated __ March 1852.]

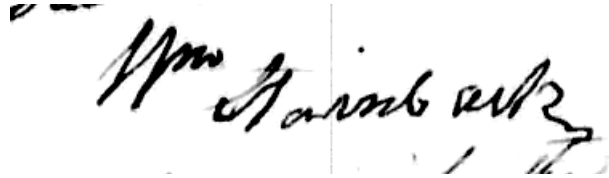
[f p. 11: Certificate dated April 19, 1799 in Brunswick County Virginia signed by Ira Ellis stating that he joined together in the state of matrimony Abraham Roberd and Betsey Thompson.]

[f p. 14]

Brunswick County to wit:

This day William Stainback personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid and made oath that he was acquainted with Will Thompson and that he was a regular soldier in the Continental Army & that he was killed or died during the Revolution this the 26th day of November 1827.

S/ Wm Stainback

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm Stainback". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

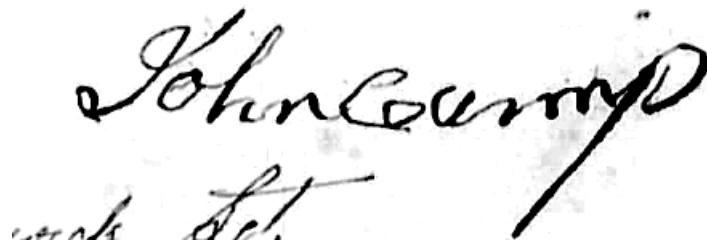
The above was sworn to before me a Justice of the Peace for the County of Brunswick 26
November 1827

S/ C. Cordle, JP

[f p. 17]

This is to Certify that in the Revolutionary War in the United States Army that I well recollect a man by the name of William Tomson he was a man of Common Life he appeared to be in age from 25 to 30 and then serving as a Solger [soldier] in the Army. Given under my hand this

S/ John Camp

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Camp". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Brunswick Sct.

The above Instrument of Writing was taken before me own oath the date above.

S/ J. Chapman, JP