

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Wallace R11072

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State of Pennsylvania County of Allegheny: SS

On this 15th day of May 1833, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas [sic], now sitting, James Wallace a resident of Jefferson Township in the County of Allegheny, Pennsylvania, aged 80 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he went as a Substitute for John Higgins for the term of six months under the command of Captain Moses Hutton Lieutenant Selvester Ward [Sylvester Ward] at which time I resided in the County of Youghiogenia [Youghiogheny], Virginia, from which place we marched on the first of April 1777 within a mile of Fort Pitt where we fell under the command of General Hand [Brigadier General Edward Hand] from thence we were ordered to march to Wheeling which place was in great distress on account of the Indians we remained at Fort Wheeling attending to our duty to the first of November when I was dismissed after having served six months as a private –

In the first of April 1778 I was drafted from the County of Youghiogheny Virginia for the term of six months under the command of Captain Ezedoch Wright Lieutenant Writche from which place we marched to Pittsburgh where we came under the command of Colonel Beeler [Joseph Beeler] at which place I volunteered under Captain mentioned for the term of six months from thence we marched to the mouth of big beaver Pa, where we fell under the command of General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh] at which place we built a Fort called Fort McIntosh from thence we marched to the Tusceriaweys [Tuscarawas River] at which place we built a Fort called Fort Laurence [Fort Laurens] General McIntosh then marched back his men to Fort McIntosh in November when I was dismissed after having served seven months as a private –

In the first of April 1780 I was drafted from the County of Youghiogheny, Virginia, for the term of six months under the command of Captain Philip Ross from which place we marched to Pittsburgh where we fell under the command of General Broadhead [Col Daniel Brodhead?] at which place the 13th Regiment lay commanded by Colonel Gibson from thence we marched to the Munsee Towns. Just before we reached the town our front Line had a small skirmish with the Indians the latter was obliged to retreat while we pursued and burned their towns and cut up all their corn after remaining there for some length of time we proceeded back to Pittsburgh where my time expired and I was dismissed after having served 6 months as a private.

In the first of April 1781 I was drafted from the County of Youghiogheny, Virginia, for the term of 6 months under the command of Captain William Bruce Lieutenant Jerry Wright

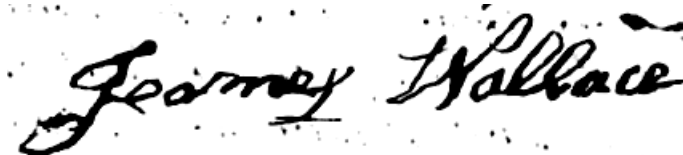
from which place we marched to Pittsburgh where we fell under the command of Colonel Cox attached to George Clark's Brigade from which place we proceeded by the Ohio River to Wheeling at which place Captain Leechy and his company deserted and some confusion arose between the militia and the regular troops commanded by Colonel Crockett from thence we proceeded to the falls of the Ohio at which place I remained to the last of October when I was dismissed after having served 6 months as a private and that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Wm M Candell, J. Pr'g

S/ James Wallace

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Wallace". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, decorative flourish at the end of the name.

[Joseph Wright, a clergyman, and William Barr gave the standards boarding affidavit.]

Interrogatories put by the Court

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in the County Donegal Ireland in the year 1753

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have no record of my age

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I lived in Youghiogeny County Virginia when I entered the service and since that time I have lived for the last 40 years and Allegheny County where I now live.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. The first tower [tour] I was in the war I went a substitute for John Higgins

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. Captains Huton, Minton, and Ross, Colonels Beeler, Gibson who commanded the 13th Regiment Generals Hand, McIntosh, Brodhead, Clark, I served under

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. I never received a discharge

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. John Kiddoo, James Means, George Mury the Reverend William Woods

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Allegheny County SS the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Personally appeared before me a justice of the peace in and for said County Richard Hultz a respectable citizen of said County aged seventy-three years who being sworn as the law

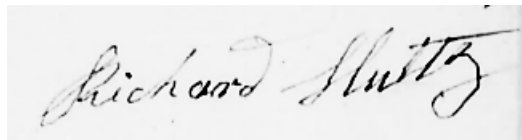
directs deposed and saith that he is well acquainted with James Wallace who has sworn and subscribed the foregoing Declaration for the purpose of obtaining a pension, this deponent saith that he was drafted from the Western part of the State of Virginia during the period of the revolution, but cannot recollect the years when we joined General Clark [George Rogers Clark] at the mouth of Shartur [Chartiers?] Creek on the Ohio River at which place the Deponent seen James Wallace attending to military duty as a drafted militia man from thence we proceeded to Wheeling where we remained a short time from thence to the falls of Ohio where we were dismissed during which time James Wallace acted faithfully as a militia man from the time I first knew him in the service to he was dismissed at the falls of Ohio and further this deponent saith that he knew James Wallace to the several towers before the one I served with him in the Revolutionary war and further saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

21 day of June 1833

S/ John Kiddoo

S/ Richard Hultz

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Richard Hultz". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[fn p. 8: On March 20th, 1855 in Greene County Pennsylvania, Sarah Wallace, 75, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of James Wallace, a pensioner at the rate of \$40 per annum for his service in the revolution; that she married him October 9, 1842 and that her husband died November 5th, 1843.]

[fn p. 30: Elizabeth Allum gave testimony that she was present at the marriage of James Wallace to Sarah Allum; that James Wallace was a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution and that she, Sarah, remains his widow.]

[fn p. 11: Note dated September 22, 1855 states that James Wallace died August 10, 1843 and that the arrears of pension due him or paid to his 9 children pursuant to a certificate filed in the Allegheny County Court in which it is stated he died leaving no widow.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service in the Pennsylvania/Virginia Troops.]