

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel White R11405

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State of Kentucky Henry County: Sct

On this 6th day of August 1832, personally appeared before the Justices composing the County Court of Henry County being a Court of Record, Daniel White a resident of Henry County and State of Kentucky aged seventy-three years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed 7th of June 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 with Captain William Picket [sic, William Pickett] and served in Colonel Martin's Regiment which was the 9th Regiment of the North Carolina line, under Colonel Martin and Major William Pogue [sic, probably William Polk]. He left the service at the expiration of one year after his first enlistment having enlisted for that period the first time, and when his first period of service ended he enlisted again under Captain William Pickett for the Term of two years. He states that he resided in Anson County North Carolina when he entered the service, and that during the first term of his enlistment he went in an expedition on Reedy River. He marched from Reedy to a town called Cross Creek Town in North Carolina, where upwards of one thousand Scotch and Irish had embodied themselves, in favor of the King of England and we defeated them,¹ I was from North Carolina marched to Halifax and Virginia where the companies Rendezvous, and as the Companies were not full, the captains cast lots for the command and Captain William Pickett who enlisted the first for one year and next for two years immediately after the expiration of the first Term of service, left my company and at Halifax I was commanded by Captain Cook [probably James Cook] and still remained in the same Regiment to wit the 9th commanded by Colonel Martin and Major Pogue, and from Halifax we marched to Georgetown, where the Federal City [Washington DC] now is and were inoculated for the smallpox. We were then marched to Philadelphia, and there joined General Washington, and the first Battle I was engaged in was when the British landed at the Head of Elk River, on their march to Philadelphia about the time Count Donop [?] was killed at Mud Island Fort,² the next skirmish was at the White Horse Tavern and I was in the Battle of Brandywine

¹ This appears to be a reference to the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, February 26, 1776.

<http://gaz.jrshelby.com/moorescreek.htm>

² **October 10, 1777 at Fort Mifflin, Pennsylvania** - Fort Mifflin was an American fort that covered one end of a band of obstructions across the Delaware River. It was garrisoned by 450 men. The fort was located on the opposite side of

next. And he states by way [of] explanation that he was enlisted twice as before stated first for one year and so soon as his time of service ended he enlisted again for 2 years and served 3 years. His recollection is not perfect, as to the year, he entered the service but thinks it was in 1775, the year before the Declaration of Independence. He recollects perfectly well that he was a soldier in Philadelphia when the Declaration of Independence was made.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State and the reason he has not applied before was that he had too much property to get the benefit of the act of Congress of March 18, 1818.

Subscribed

S/ Daniel White, X his mark

State of Kentucky Henry County: Sct

Be it known that on this 14th day of December 1833 personally appeared before William McCracken a Justice of the Peace in and for Henry County Kentucky and one of the Justices of the Henry County Court Daniel White a resident of the said County and State aged 75 years who from bodily infirmity cannot attend Court to make his declaration and who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the month of April 1775 with Captain William Pickett as well as he remembers for the term of twelve months and served in the ___ Regiment of the North Carolina Continental line under the following named officers. He states that he has forgotten the number of the Regiment but that it was commanded by Colonel Martin. He states that he has forgotten the name of his Lieutenant and Ensign -- that at the time of his said enlistment he resided in Anson County in the State of North Carolina. He states that the Major of his said Regiment was by the name of William Pogue -- He states that his whole service during the term of his enlistment were performed in North Carolina -- that he was first stationed at Salisbury North Carolina and was marched during the year of his service to various parts of the State. He was engaged in the Battle at the Bridge across Cross Creek in which the Tories were defeated -- that he was also on Reedy River and performed many services in that section against the Tories. He states that he was however most of his time during his said enlistment at Salisbury North Carolina and at the termination of his said term of enlistment he was discharged by his officers in Salisbury and he then returned home.

He further states and declares that he again in the month of June in the year 1776 as well as he remembers enlisted into the service of the United States for the term of two years with Captain William Pickett and served accordingly in the 9th Regiment of the North Carolina Continental line and as well as he remembers under the following named officers. That the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Martin until after the Battle of Germantown which was fought in the fall 1777 as well as he remembers and then the command of it fell by some means to Colonel Williams -- that William Pogue was still the Major of the Regiment. He states that he was living in Anson County North Carolina at the time of his second enlistment -- that he was

Fort Mercer on Port Island, between Hog Island and Mud Island. The fort was known to have been poorly engineered. **On October 10**, the British forces on nearby Province Island began a bombardment against the weak, land side of the fort. The bombardment lasted for about 2 weeks. **On October 23**, the day after the nearby British/German defeat at the [Battle of Fort Mercer](http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/1777s.htm), 6 British man-of-war had managed to approach through a gap that the British had made in the American chevaux-de-frise. When they neared Fort Mifflin, the fort's guns and the supporting river craft inflicted severe damage to the British ships. Two of the ships, the HMS Augusta and the HMS Merlin, ran aground and were destroyed. <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/1777s.htm>

marched by his said Captain to the Town of Halifax on the Roanoke River and there he joined his Regiment. He states that the Companies at that time had not been filled and some of the captains had to return & amongst the rest Captain Pickett went home and he is declarant then came under the command of Captain Cook as well as he recollects the name -- that he was marched from Halifax to Georgetown upon the Potomac [River] where he together with many other of the soldiers were inoculated for the smallpox where he was kept for some time and was then marched to the City of Philadelphia where he was kept in the Barracks till the spring of 1777 and he was then marched and joined the Main Army at Philadelphia & from thence went into New Jersey to meet the British Army that were about making an effort to take Philadelphia. He states that he was personally engaged in the Battle of Brandywine -- that in that action General Nash had command of this declarant. He states that he continued with the Army in its retreat and after the British took possession of Philadelphia the Battle of Germantown was fought in which this declarant was also personally engaged. He states that Major Pogue was wounded and General Nash was killed in that Battle and soon afterwards Colonel Williams was placed in the command of the Regiment. This declarant states that the Army took up its winter quarters at Valley Forge where he continued with the Army till the full expiration of his term of enlistment and was then discharged in writing by Colonel Williams. He states that he served out his term of enlistment fully & faithfully.

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Daniel White, X his mark

[fn p. 2: "Daniel White Kentucky act 7th June 1832 Rejected, Found on Rolls of the North Carolina line as a deserter."]