

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel F. Williams R11618

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State of Kentucky, Henderson County

On this 22nd day of 7th Month, 1833, personally appeared in Open Court before the Honble [sic, Honorable], the County Court of Henderson, Kentucky aforesaid now sitting Saml. F. Williams, a resident of said County and State aged 74 – years, who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of June 7th, 1832 and the Resolution of Congress last Session supplementary thereto (has insert[ed] all his Services Even to a day). The he Enlisted [in] the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated that in the year 1780 he attached himself to a Dragoon Regiment of the North Carolina Militia as a volunteer under Capt. Samuel Snead, the regiment commanded by Col. Wm. Richardson Davy [William Richardson Davie] & Col. Philip Taylor, & served for two months but were allowed for 3 months, as we found our own horses, marched from Granville Courthouse thro' Hillsborough & Salisbury to near Charlotte Court House. Returned home - was drafted again as a militia man, & sent on a substitute for 3 months, the name not remembered, was drafted again - & substituted Wm Rochester [William Rochester] in my stead for 12 months ~~or near~~ – recollects Col. Daniel Morgan & Col. Washington [William Washington] of the Virginia Continental line.

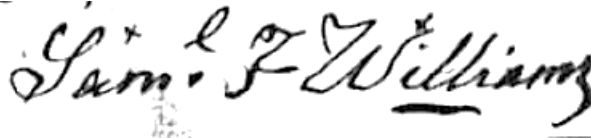
He has no documentary evidence except a Certificate which was lost and knows of no person where testimony he can procure, who can testify to his Services except Jno. Moss¹ of this county, who here testifies to my services -- & served with him.

He hereby relinquishes every desire whatever to a pension, except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed this day and year aforesaid.

Signed

S/ Saml. F. Williams



There being no "Clergyman" to testify

We, John Moss [illegible word or words] line resident in the County of Henderson and State of Kentucky and John Williams—resident of the same hereby certify that [they] became well acquainted with Saml. F. Williams who has subscribed, sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be 74 years old, that he is believed & respected in the neighbourhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and we concur in that opinion.

1 [John Moss S11114](#)

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid & Moss swears he knows He served
[statement ends here]

S/ John Moss

S/ John Williams



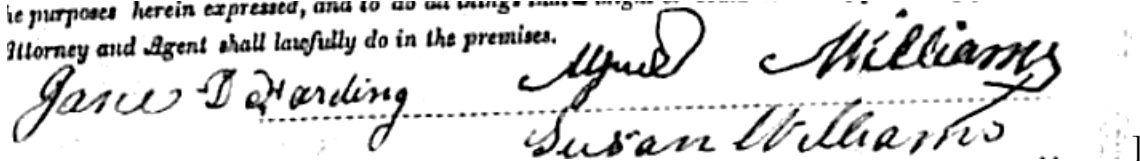
Interrogatories put to Samul. F. Williams an applicant for pension &c by the Honble, the County Court of Henderson Co., Ky

1. Where and in what year were you born. In Granville NC in 1759.
2. Have you any record of your age? Ans: recorded, but lost – & if so where is it?
3. Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary War & where do you now live? In Granville Co. NC till 1805 & afterward in Henderson Co. KY
4. How were you called into service,-- were you drafted; did you volunteer or were a substitute, & if a substitute for whom? Ans: I volunteered for 3 months & found the 2 substitutes for 15 more.
5. State the names of some the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service – Col. Danl. Morgan & Col. Washington are the only officers recollected.
6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so, by whom was it given – and what has become of it? Ans. I recd. a certificate and it is destroyed.
7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your neighbourhood and who can testify to your character for truth and their belief of your services, as a soldier of the Revolution. Saml. Denton, Joshua Moss, & Wm Jones & Edwd H. Vaughn.

[Note: There is a power of attorney dated August 4th, 1853 filed in Henderson County Kentucky and executed by Alfred Williams, Susan Williams & Jane D Harding residents of Henderson County who state that they are the heirs of Samuel F Williams an applicant for a pension for his services in the revolutionary war.

ie purposes herein expressed, and to do on behalf of the

Attorney and Agent shall lawfully do in the premises.



[Note: Based on his testimony that he served only 2 months of active duty during the revolution, this veteran would not have qualified for a pension under the 1832 (or any other) Act. Six months of actual service was required to qualify for a pension. Services by substitutes were not includable to meet the 6 months requirement.]