

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Williams R11625

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State of New York County of Kings: SS

On this eleventh day of February 1839 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of common pleas in the said County now sitting William Williams of the town of Gowanus [Gowanus], in said County of Kings – and State of New York aged seventy-five 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 June 7, 1832. That on or about the 12th day of March 1780 he this Declarant then a resident of Staten Island in the State of New York enlisted in the Army of the United States at the town of New York in the State of New Jersey from thence he was ordered to Virginia and stationed in the company of Captain Robert Dunn of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Edwards he believes of the Virginia line. That he enlisted for the term of three years & served the full term of his enlistment & until the close of the war. That after being stationed in said Company & Regiment he remained in the State of Virginia until his final discharge. That he was engaged in several skirmishes while in said service, was present at the battle of Yorktown which resulted in the capture of Lord Cornwallis & the British Army, where he received a severe wound in his leg from a musket ball, and that he finally received a written discharge at York town, which he has since lost. That he has never made application for a pension before, being unable to provide witnesses to substantiate his claim, and having no proof to offer save his own declaration. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State, or (if any) only on that of the agency of the State of New York.

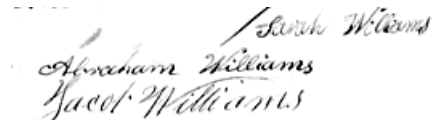
Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ John S. Bergen

S/ Wm Williams



[fn p.3: note dated Feb. 19, 1847, New York, signed by Sarah Williams, Abraham Williams and Jacob Williams and addressed to J. L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions, stating that "I have appointed Arad Joy of New York my agent to investigate my claim to the pension due to my late husband William Williams."



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