

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Witty R19064

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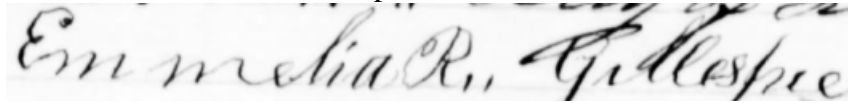
State of Indiana County of Clay: SS

Be it known that before me Jas. Compton a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Clay and the State aforesaid duly qualified and authorized to administer oaths SS Personally appeared Amelia R Gillispie and William Witty who first being sworn according to law and under oath that they are son & daughter and legal heirs and Representatives of Andrew Witty and who was a resident and who resided at the Township of __ County and County of Guilford [sic, Guilford] & State of North Carolina and who was a Soldier and private of the Revolutionary War of the Continental Army & who entered said war on or about the 25th day of June 1773, and who drafted, volunteered or enlisted as the case may be and as may more finally be proven by the Company Rolls and the muster rolls at the Department of the Interior at the City of Washington. Said applicants Aver and affirm that their father was a resident of Rockingham County State of North Carolina and that he resided at Rockingham about 6 years previous to his Death & that he died at Rockingham & the aforementioned State of North Carolina & that he died on the 6th day of May 1819 and who previous thereto he resided at the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina & who was a private soldier in the Militia State Troops of the County of Guilford and North Carolina and who served in said War before mentioned the term of his engagement 6 years that or during the said war as the case may be and served out the whole period of the Time of his Enlistment or Engagement and was honorably Discharged. Said Amelia R Gillespie and William Witty Applicants make this Application that they may obtain the pension money that may be due & owing them as a heirs at law & the legal Representatives of Andrew Witty a Soldier of the Revolutionary Army and the Continental War and who served as above stated and who died and leaving his right to a pension from the United States unobtained and who leaving a surviving widow Lucretia widow Witty [Lucretia Witty] who survived her said Husband and who lived & survived her said husband's death 18 years and who was also entitled to a pension under the present & existing laws of Congress giving Revolutionary Soldiers Deceased leaving surviving widows a pension whose pension were to take effect at the date of the death of their said husband and who is entitled to a pension from the day of the death of her husband Andrew Witty and who was [word overwritten and illegible] & have been entitled to 18 years back pay of the pension money that now accrues to the legal heirs of said Andrew Witty & to his said widow which now owing to the said Amelia R Gillespie and William Witty

Applicants. Said Applicants claiming all that may be due under the act that might have been passed by Congress granting pensions to Revolutionary Soldiers & officers a pension under Acts of Congress passed the 18th day of March 1818 or any other act that might have been passed by Congress giving and granting pensions to [indecipherable word or words] officers & Soldiers & their widows & children of ...[I've omitted transcribing the balance of this document as it consists of legalese resulting in the granting of a power of attorney enabling their attorney to pursue their claim.]

This 19th day of June 1860

S/ Emmelia R. Gillespie

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

[I could not find that the document was ever signed by William Witty]

[witnessed by Edwin H. Parsley and Elizabeth Parsley]