

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Caleb White R20447

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Caleb White's Declaration

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May 1828, I Caleb White (formerly of the County of Albemarle) but now of Henrico in the State of Virginia, do hereby declare That I enlisted as a private soldier in the service of the United States sometime in the year __ under Captain John Overton, and was transferred to the company of Captain Tarlton Payne of the Regiment under whose command I served to the end of the war. I further declare, that I do not remember the amount of certificates I received in lieu of pay. Many years having elapsed, I not recollecting the minutia in relation to my claim. Witness my hand and seal, this night day of September in the year 1829

S/ Caleb White

[Thomas Underwood and Henry Toler gave a supporting affidavit as to the general reputation of the claimant as a soldier of the revolution.]

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Caleb White is entitled to the portion of land allowed a private of the Continental line for the war.

Council Chambers

S/ Sam: Coleman

Novem: 23, 1795

S/ Rt. Brooke

State of Virginia, to wit:

I, William Selden, Register of the Land office of the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true copy of an original voucher on file in this office, agreeably to which, a military land bounty warrant issued to Caleb White for 200 acres, Number 4676 dated the 23rd November 1795, in consideration of his services as a private in the war on Continental establishment.

Given under my hand and seal of office at the city of Richmond, the 9th day of June 1829

S/ Wm Selden, R. L. Off.

[fn p 10: copy]

These are to certify, that the bearer hereof, Caleb White, a Soldier in the first Virginia Regiment, having faithfully served the United States, from the 11th September 1780, and being enlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American Army.

Given at the War office, the 9th of August 1783

By order of the Secretary of War

S/ Benj. Lincoln

Jas. Carlton, Sec'y

Registered in the books of the Regiment.

S/ Saml. Finley, Major

I certify the above to be a true copy of a voucher filed in the Executive Department of Virginia, on which land bounty was allowed to Caleb White for services in the Continental line in the war of the Revolution. Given under my hand as assistant clerk of the Council at Richmond, this 6th day of October, 1829.

S/ J. H. Pleasants, A. C. C.

[The following is the digital image of the actual certificate as posted by the Virginia State Library at

http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/F6JVFMPG82955D2F7YV74YPQHVTRXRIYBACNQ A9FU8TF24FHIP-15133?func=full-set-set&set_number=006959&set_entry=000039&format=999

These are to Certify that the bearer hereof
Caleb White a Soldier in the 1st Virginia
Regiment, having faithfully served the United
States from the 11 September 1780. and being
enlisted for the war, is hereby discharged
from the American Army
Given at the War Office the 11th Aug^r 1783
By order of the Secretary of War
Benj. Lincoln
Jas. Carlton Sec'y
Registered in the Books of the Regiment
Saml. Finley Major

Also the following:

I do hereby certify that Caleb White a private
Soldier in the 5th Virginia Regiment enlisted into
the Service of the United States on the 4th day of September
1780 for the War, and continued in Service until the end
of it, and Obtained a Regular Discharge.

Given under my hand this 20th day
of November 1795.

James Wood.

I do hereby certify that Caleb White a private soldier in the 5th Virginia Regiment enlisted into the Service of the United States on the 4th day of September 1780 for the War, continued in service until the end of it, and obtained a regular Discharge.
Given under my hand this 20th day of November 1795.

S/ James Wood

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Addendum to Caleb White R20447

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 24 February 2023.

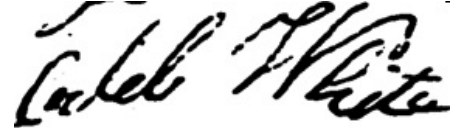
[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

December 21st 1784

Gentmen

Please to Grant Mr William Ward a Certifyate Due me as a Soldier in the Contina Army
Agreable to my Discharge
To The Auditors

Caleb White

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Caleb White". The script is cursive and somewhat stylized, with the first letter of each name being significantly larger and more decorative than the others.