

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Crowder R2540 Lucy Crowder VA
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State of North Carolina }
County of Cleavland [sic: Cleveland] }

On this 25th day of April one thousand eight hundred & fifty four, personally appeared before me, one of the Acting Justices of the peace within and for said County; Garrel Crowder [Jariel Crowder?] aged 69 years, who, after being duly sworn according to law, maketh oath, and declares, that he is the son of William Crowder deceased, who formerly resided in Mecklenburg County, State of Virginia in the time of the Revolutionary war – that some time in the year 95 or 6 he the aforesaid William Crowder, removed to this County and State above mentioned, and lived until the 10th day of November 1840 and died.

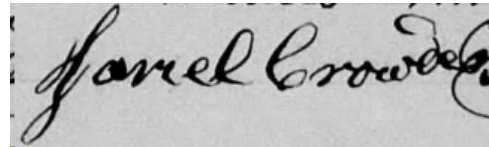
That this deponent, (the aforesaid Garrel Crowder) has frequently and repeatedly heard his father (the aforesaid William) in his life time speak of having served in the revolutionary war, while living in the County of Mecklenburg and State of Virginia; and to the best of this deponents recollection about three or four months. That he was drafted and served under Captain Robert Smith during his term of Service.

And this deponent further believes, that he heard his father, (the aforesaid William Crowder) say, that he served in the Capacity of Commissary, as well as private & that his service was done in 1781, sometime near the close of the war.

And this deponent further believes, that his father (the aforesaid William Crowder) had been informed [correctly], that soldiers who served less than six months was not entitled to Pension, is the reason why he never presented his claim in his life time.

That this deponent (the aforesaid Garrel Crowder) was left Executor to the last Will & Testament of his father (the aforesaid Wm Crowder) and in searching over his (William Crowders) papers, he found the enclosed "permit" or "furlough" amongst them. That he makes this declaration for the purpose of ascertaining from the Pension Office, whether the length of service as set forth in this declaration will entitle the aforesaid William Crowder to pension under any of the pension Acts of Congress, passed for the benefit of those who served that length of time.

And further, this deponent alledges, that he is the son and legal Executor to the last Will and testament of the aforesaid William Crowder, which he will satisfy the Department just so soon, as he is informd, whether his father was entitled to pension for that term of service under any Act of Congress. This deponent believes his father and mother were married in 1771 or 1772



September th 13 1781

William Crowder has leave of absence untell he is able to joyn his Company & then to joyn as soon as possible he Can. Robert Smith Capt.

State of North carolina } on this 3rd day of May 1855
Cleveland County }

personally appeared before me William A Tisdale one of the acting Justices of the peace within and for the county of Cleaveland and state of North Carolina Mrs Lucy Crowder aged seventy years or upwards

a resident of Cleaveland County who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of William Crowder Decd who was a private soldier and comissary in the company Commanded by Captain Robert Smith in the war of the Revolution that her husband lived in Mecklenburg County in the State of Virginia and I believe he was drafted for the term of six month and continued in actual service for about three months at which time he got a parole to goe home and then as she under stands he hired a substitute to goe in his place who served out the said term She further states that she was married to the aforesaid William Crowder sometime in the month of Sept 1825 or the year 1826 by one Young Brisendine who was one of the acting Magistrates in Rutherford County and that her name before she was married was Lucy Thompson that her husband died on the 9th[?] day of November 1839 and that she is a widow at the date of executing this her declaration She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty land to which she may be entitled under act approved March the 3rd 1855 She also declares that she has never received nor applied for Bounty land under any other act of Congress only this now presented I also constitute and appoint William Hunt of Washington City DC my true and lawfull attorney for me and in my name to receive my land warrant Lucy herXmark Crowder

NOTE: The file includes a copy of a bond signed on 15 Sep 1825 in Rutherford County NC by William Crowder and Thomas Martin for the marriage of Crowder to Lucy Thompson.