

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Martin R6975

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Virginia, to wit,

At a Superior Court of law holden for the County of Halifax the 23rd day of September 1819. --

William Martin came into Court and being first duly sworn according to law, on his oath made the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War." That he the said William Martin who is now about the age of sixty-three years and is a citizen of the County of Halifax aforesaid -- enlisted in the said County of Halifax for three years under Lieutenant Cornelius Collins of Captain Robert Walton's Company in what year, he does not now recollect -- that he was attached to the 2nd Georgia Regiment on Continental establishment as he is informed by General Littleberry Mosby & verily believes that said Regiment was commanded by Colonel Samuel Elbert that he was drummer of the 2nd Company attached to said Regiment which company after Captain Walton's left it was commanded by Captain Edward Wood -- that he was in the battles of Midway meeting house¹ and Savannah,² that he, together with the most of his Company, was captured at Savannah & was detained a prisoner about nine months that after remaining on board a prison ship, Some time he was exchanged at Savannah that he served in the said Regiment for upwards of two years before his capture and that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support. Whereupon it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the said William Martin did serve in the Revolutionary War as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy for the term of nine months at least, at one time on the Continental establishment and the Court being also satisfied that he needs the assistance of his Country for support doth direct that a copy thereof he transmitted by its clerk to the Secretary for the department of War --

[Attested by Samuel Williams, Clerk]

Halifax County to wit

This day Nancy Martin and Lucey Martin, came before me Isaac Medley a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, and made oath that on the 2nd or 3rd day of May last William Martin departed this life, it being the same William Martin who had made application for his pay as a

¹ This MAY be a reference to the engagement at Midway Church on November 24, 1778.

<http://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com/north-carolina-wins-the-battle-of-midway-church.html>

² Battle of Savannah December 29, 1778. <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/781229-savannah/>

soldier in the Revolutionary Army. Given under my hand this 23rd day of October 1822
S/ Isaac Medley, JP

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The Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of William Martin deceased made the 23rd day of October 1822 agreeable to an order of the County Court of Halifax to us directed for that purpose [indecipherable word or words],

4 chisels appraised to	\$0.50
3 Augers " "	.50
1 pair hames [?]	.50
1 Hand saw	.25
2 Draw Knives	.50
2 Gouges & 1 file	.25
3 Gemblits	.25
1 Tooth drawer 1 pr cumpaper & 1 file	.17
2 Squares & 1 plane	.12 ½
1 Howell 1 pr nippers & 1 curving knife	.25
3 Bridle Bell 2 Ring & Staples & 1 CleVICES pin	.25
1 pr Stirrup Irons 2 Whet Stones	.12 ½
1 Nose Band 1 Screw & Tap & 1 Grubbing hoe	.56
1 Razor & Case 1 mattox & 1 Coulter	1.50
1 Rup hook 2 plow hoe & 2 Swingle trees	1.25
1 Hilling hoe 1 pr chair Traces & 1 ax	1.25
2 Small jugs & 4 Bottles & 1 froe	.30
	<u>\$8.53</u>

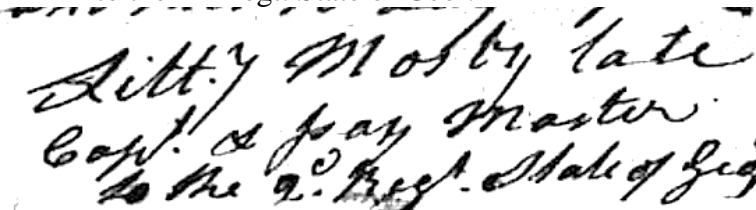
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Powhatan County, State of Virginia

I do hearby certify that Wm Martin was a Drumer in the 2nd Regiment of Continental troops commanded by Coll Saml Elbert in the State of Georgia, that he belonged to the 2nd Company in said Regiment commanded by Capt Edward Wood and by the pay rolls now in my possession I find that he receiv'd his pay up to the 1st of September 1778 I also find by a return also in my possession on that he receiv'd cloathing on the 30th day of the same month, after that he was taken prisoner in the town of Savannah where he was put on board of the prison ship, he must have been inlisted sometime in the year 1776 but in what day or month I cannot say neither cannot say when he was discharg'd as I return'd to Virginia shortly after being exchanged, and never Joined the southern Army after.

Given under my hand this 10th day of September 1820.

S/ Litty Mosby Late
Capt. & pay Master
to the 2nd Regt. State of Geo^a.



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