

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Dudley (Dudly) Moreland R7368 Elizabeth Moreland f56VA
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State of Kentucky Wayne County: Sct.

On this 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of Wayne and State aforesaid Dudley Moreland, aged 71 years the 4th day of next April, who being first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath, make the following Declaration, to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he served under Colonel Nathaniel Morris [Nathaniel Garsden Morris] of Virginia & Captain Samuel Richardson, under a draft in 1778 in Goochland County in the State of Virginia for six months, that he is illiterate & does not recollect the precise time. But that he was in his 17th year when drafted he thinks in 1778 and sometime in the summer of that year and served out the time of said six months & was discharged by his officers & Colonel but that he previously served a three months tour under Captain Holman Rice, before the said six months Draft at the Albemarle Barracks. And after the expiration of said six months in about one month he was again drafted for six months more, and served under Colonel Nathaniel Morris & Captain Samuel Richardson for another six months, that he served out the full time & was again discharged by his Colonel. We served & marched principally in every direction around Richmond, Petersburg, Williamsburg, Cabin Point &c & had no particular engagement.

And that some short time after his return he was again Drafted for three months and marched in served at the Siege of York in Virginia under Captain Gideon Tolls and at York was placed under Colonel __ Dark [William Darke] his Christian name not recollected. The said Dudley Moreland states that he was living in Goochland County state of Virginia during the American Revolution. And was principally stationed about Williamsburg during his said several tours, and marched through Henrico & Charles City, and served on many skirmishes and Detachments about Williamsburg, up and down James River, That he was in a Detachment that took 190 Prisoners of the British infantry at Cherly hundred ferry [Shirley Hundred Ferry] on James River & marched them to Winchester And then returned to Williamsburg on the last 3 months Tour, and then was ordered & marched to the Siege of York and completed his several Tours amounting to 18 months, was always regularly discharged But not in writing, nor does he know of any of the Militia who had written discharges.

That I the said Dudley Moreland removed from Goochland to the State of Virginia about thirty years past to Carter County in East Tennessee and removed from thence to Wayne County Kentucky about 11 years past, and still continue my residence in Wayne County Kentucky. I was a short time under General Losson [[Robert Lawson] his Christian name not recollected, but I think a Regular officer. But do not now recollect any other of the Officers of the Regular Army, or of the Continental regiments or companies with whom I served. I the said Dudley Moreland

am in illiterate and have no Documentary evidence, & that I know of no person in this Country whose testimony I can procure to testify to my services & have no record of my age. But from the best accounts about 70 years past.

I the said Dudley Moreland relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ Dudley Moreland, X his mark

He is personally known by Louis Coffee, John Duke his countrymen, & neighbors who can testify to his veracity.

[John Anderson and Thomas Woodby gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 10: On August 29, 1839 in Wayne County Kentucky, Elizabeth Moreland, 78 on the 18th day of January last, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Dudley Moreland, a revolutionary pensioner's; that her husband died February 13th 1839; that she married him April 4, 1784. She signed her name with her mark.]

[p 17: On November 27, 1843 in Wayne County Kentucky, Mrs. Elizabeth Moreland, 82, again applied for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Dudley Moreland, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$60 per annum; that she has no documentary evidence of her marriage to her husband but that the marriage took place in April 1783 and that her husband died the 13th day of February 1839. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p 21: On May 25, 1846 in Clinton County Kentucky, John Moreland, administrator of the estate of the Elizabeth Moreland made application for the pension due his mother under her applications for a pension; that Mary Whaley, Anne Brummit, Winny Holley and Elizabeth Woodby and the affiant all the only surviving children of his parents; that Mary and Anne are older than the affiant; that affiant thinks he will be 56 years old June 11th next; that he has heard his parents state that they were married shortly after the termination of the revolutionary war in Goochland County Virginia by publication; that his mother was about 85 years of age when she died.]

[p 13: On February 27, 1858 in Clinton County Kentucky, John Moreland, as administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Moreland made a claim for the arrears of pension due her at the time of her death which he recollects was in March 1846 in Wayne County Kentucky; that he, the affiant, is the son of Dudley Moreland and Elizabeth, widow of Dudley Moreland. He makes reference to their being other children of his parents but he indicates to his knowledge he is the only one still living. He does not name any of his siblings.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Moreland", written in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature is enclosed in a small rectangular box with a closing bracket on the right side.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year and 8 months in the Virginia service.]