

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Price R8467

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State of Maryland

City of Baltimore S.S.

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December eighteen hundred and thirty nine before me one of the Associate Judges of Baltimore City Court Personally appeared Hannah Price, a resident of the city of Baltimore aforesaid, aged sixty nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress passed July 7 1838, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows" That she is the widow of William Price who was a private of Infantry in the Virginia line of the Continental Army, in the War of the Revolution. That to the best of her recollection she has heard him her said husband, say, that he served eighteen months, that he was at the battle of Cambden [see endnote], and the taking of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781]; that he was wounded in both of his thighs by a musket ball from the enemy, the scars of which wounds he shewed her. She submits the enclosed certificate as to his military services, and refers to the Records of the Revolution at Richmond and Washington for further particulars relative thereto. She further declares that she was married to the said William Price November 11<sup>th</sup> seventeen hundred and eighty seven by the Rev'd. Parson West at Baltimore, without licence, the marriage being notified or published in church, according to law; that on an examination of the Church records, no account of her marriage is found; the Church Records being very imperfectly kept at that time; but, she submits herewith Testimony as to the fact of their marriage which she believes will be satisfactory. That her husband the aforesaid William Price died in the year eighteen hundred and eighteen. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place prior to the first day of January seventeen hundred and ninety four. Viz, at the time within stated

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NOTES:

There were two battles near Camden SC: one now usually called the Battle of Camden occurred on 16 Aug 1780, and the other now usually called the Battle of Hobkirk Hill occurred on 25 Apr 1781. There were few if any Virginia Continental Infantry troops at the former battle.

The file contains a certificate from the Virginia Auditor's office showing that a William Price received the balance of his pay for service in the Continental Line, but there is no way of knowing whether this is the correct William Price.

In a letter accompanying her application, Hannah Price stated that her memory had been impaired by a "paralytic affection," and that she and William Price had had no children. Rachel Kelley, 67, deposed that she had known Hannah Harrison before she married William Price sometime before her own marriage on 10 May 1789. John Lynch, 75, deposed that William and Hannah Price moved from Baltimore County to the city shortly before 1793 and that they were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Margaret Burton, 72, also provided information about the time of the marriage in relation to the dates of birth of her own children.