

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sherry S11390

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State of Kentucky Warren County: SS

On this 3rd day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Circuit Court of the County of Warren, now sitting, William Sherry a resident of the County of Warren & State aforesaid aged 84 years on the 9th day of March 1831, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth upon his oath, make the following declaration, in order 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 & served as herein stated (viz.)

1st – That he was drafted into the service of the Militia of North Carolina from the County of Roan [sic, Rowan], under the command of Colonel Fost on a tour of three months in the summer of 1781. He was chiefly employed in this tour in guarding prisoners in Salisbury. He served his whole tour here and at the end of that he was discharged by his Captain.

2ndly He was again drafted in the North Carolina Militia from the same County & State as aforesaid under Captain Alexander Langhorn, on a second three months tour. This duty he was called out to perform on this tour was to guard a magazine at Frohawks Mill [sic, Frohock's Mill] about a mile and a half from Salisbury. One Hine [?] was the superintendent of the magazine. He served out his tour here and at the expiration, was discharged by his Captain. He was retained as a guard over the prisoners at Salisbury and the magazine, just mentioned, because he was unable to march on account of an injury he had received on the leg.

3rdly He was on a third three months tour called into the service from the same County & State, for the purpose of guarding prisoners taken by the southern Army, and which were upon Bell's Swamp, not knowing the way to his station he called by the magazine aforesaid for direction and was retained there his term of service & six days over it, by Captain Langhorn, who told him there were men enough at Bell's Swamp, and that he was in need of his services. While here the news arrived that Cornwallis was taken. At the expiration of his term and the six days just mentioned he was discharged by his Captain. He has no living witness of his services. His discharges have all been lost. He did not think them worth keeping. From North Carolina, he moved to Kentucky him where he now lives. Owing to his confinement, & the retired station where he served he has no acquaintances with the Continentals or Regulars – Companies. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ William Sherry, X his mark

[Zachariah Morris, a clergyman, and Micajah Clark gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]