

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sutton S11495

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[Scott County Kentucky]

On the 19th day of November 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court of Scott County William Sutton formerly of Scott now of Harrison County Kentucky aged sixty-seven years who being first duly sworn deposed and saith – That in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed on the 7th day of June 1832 he makes the following declaration – That during the Revolutionary War he lived in Culpeper County State of Virginia & that about the close of the year 1780 or in the early part of the year 1781 he entered the service of the United States against Great Britain and for the term of eighteen months and after serving twelve months or one year he was discharged by furnishing a substitute by the name of Gaffil Brown who is now dead. He died on Dicks River, Garrard County Kentucky. He states he was at the siege of York at the taking of Cornwallis in October 1781. Before the taking of Cornwallis the time was taken up considerably in marching –

They rendezvoused at Culpeper Court House and marched to Fredericksburg – Thence to the Potomac River – Thence to Fredericksburg, thence passing Bowling Greene to Richmond, thence across the River to Manchester, thence to Carter's Ferry, thence to live [?] River called the Point of the forks where the British took some of the Picket Guard, thence to the County of Halifax, thence to James town, thence to Williamsburg & Springfield, thence to the siege of Cornwallis at little York Virginia. – After the surrender of Cornwallis, he marched into Powhatan County near the Court House & took up winter quarters & he was discharged at that place. That his discharge was signed by Colonel Gaskin and a person called Major Powtan or Powhattan – that he has lost his discharge during this period he served under various officers – Major Willis a large man – Major Potan, Captain Fields – Captain Scott, Lieutenant Stubblefield – Colonel Gaskin – That part of the time just before the siege the Corps to which he belonged was commanded by General Steuben about the time he thinks that General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] or part of our Army had a battle at Petersburg – It is impossible for him. Number all the officers under whom he served nor does he know that he gives the proper spelling or pronouncing of some of them. Potan for instance –

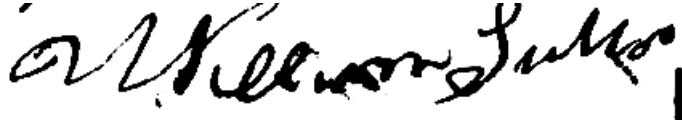
This service was under regular officers and he supposes State Troops – the detail will prove –

That he was about seventeen years old at the siege of York – he has no register of his age – That previous to the twelve months tour, he served two tours of Militia duty of two months each but in both cases he was discharged some weeks previous to the expiration of the term – making at least two months in both. Captain Tolls was his officer one tour and he believes in the second, but his memory is frail and he cannot [word obliterated] positively – In one militia tour he marched from Culpeper Court House to Hunters Iron Works above or near Falmouth Virginia.

In the other tour the Corps to which he belonged was marched to various places and rested [?] at no one point until discharged. His memory will not furnish a detail of this tour.

He relinquishes all claims to a Pension except under the above act of Congress and he is not on the Pension list of any State in the United States.

S/ William Sutton

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Sutton", written in a cursive style.

Sworn to in open Court November 19, 1832

Att S/ Ben B. Ford, Clk.

[JT Johnson, a teacher of the Christian religion, & Job Stevenson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Kentucky Garrard County Sct.

This day came before me, Moses V. Grant a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Benjamin Sutton aged seventy-six and made oath that William Sutton (his brother) of the County of Harrison State aforesaid did enlist in the State of Virginia in the County of Culpeper, he thinks in the year 1781, in the month of March as well as he recollects for eighteen months, and that he served out twelve months of the time, having as this affiant always understood and believes hired a substitute to serve out the balance of his time after the siege of York, this affiant went to where his brother was, who had been engaged in the siege as he then learned, and now believes. This affiant also knows his brother previous to his service aforesaid served 2 years of duty from the County of Culpeper in the state of Virginia in the Militia each tour he thinks did not exceed one month. He does not remember the names of the officers under whom his brother served.

Given under my hand & seal this 8th of November 1832

S/ Moses V. Grant, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 14 months in the Virginia service.]