

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elijah Williams S11832

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State of Kentucky Garrard Circuit Ct.

Elijah Williams a citizen of Garrard County aged 71 years On the 20th day of September 1832 personally appeared John L Bridges, Judge of the Garrard Circuit Court, now in session, being a court of Record – and being duly sworn made oath to the following declaration to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States in the month of July 1777 as a volunteer for a Term of six months, under the command of Captain Blackwell. That he lived at that time in the County of Fauquier State of Virginia, That he set out with his Company (being then 16 years old) from Fauquier Court House and marched towards the camp of the main Army and arrived at German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777] on the day after the Battle. That he was marched from German Town to Valley Forge & thence to the White Marsh. That he is General Officers were Colonel Edmonds, Major Pickett. That at German Town – Valley Forge & White Marsh he saw General Washington – and he supposes he saw other distinguished personages but he does not now recollect with certainty whether he did or not. That in this tour he served his six months and was dismissed – his character of service was that of a militia man.

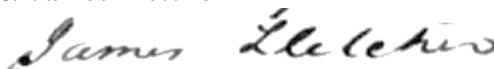
That he afterwards served a short term of duty in guarding a magazine at Fauquier Court-House – but the date, length of time he served or who were his officers he is not able to recollect or state, nor does he mention it with a hope of being allowed pay for it, but [sic]

He hereby relinquishes all claim to any pension except the present – and that he is not nor has he ever been on the pension roll of the agency of any State

S/ Elijah Williams¹

I James Lletcher, a citizen of Garrard County, do certify that I have known Elijah Williams whose name is signed to the foregoing declaration from his boyhood. That I furthermore no the fact that he served in the War of the Revolution as is stated by him in his declaration, and that he is about the age stated by him.

S/ James Lletcher



Sworn to this 20th September 1832, S/ Benjamin Litcher, Ck

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

¹ I do not think this is the veteran's actual signature since it appears to me to be in the identical handwriting with the balance of the document.