

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Walsh S1264

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State of Kentucky Morgan County: Sct

On this 8th day of August 1833, personally appeared in Open Court before the Court of Morgan County now sitting William Walsh a resident of Morgan County in State of Kentucky aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832 -- That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He joined the Army at Elizabeth Town on Cape Fear River in the State of North Carolina in May 1781 -- under Colonel __ Robeson -- & served three months as a volunteer & after joining the Army at Elizabeth Town was marched to the Lumber bridge, and from the Lumber bridge to the Long Bluff on Pedee [River], and was at the expiration of three months aforesaid discharged at the Long Bluff by Colonel Robeson --

Singleton was the Captain under whom I served -- He again joined the Army as a Substitute in 1782 for three months under Captain Davis & Colonel __ Porterfield at Fayetteville in Cumberland County North Carolina and was marched from Fayetteville to Harveysborough [?] on the Cape Fear River -- & from thence to Hillsboro in Orange County North Carolina from Hillsboro to Lindley's Mills where we had an engagement¹ with the Tories thence we returned to Fayetteville where after three months service he was discharged by Colonel Porterfield -- He entered the service in 1783 by joining a company under Captain Davis known as minute men for the purpose of harassing the Tories he served in four tours of short length of time in harassing & watching the Tories the time he served in each tour he does not recollect.

The Court propounded the following Interrogatories

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. I was born in Cumberland County Fayetteville North Carolina in the year 1760 -

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have no Record evidence or Record of my age

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I lived in Cumberland County North Carolina where I joined the Army first -- I

¹ September 13, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/lindleymill.htm>

removed after the war to Georgia from the State of Georgia I moved to Tennessee from Tennessee to Virginia from the state of Virginia I removed to Floyd County Kentucky in 1821 -- where I have resided ever since (that part of Floyd County which I resided in having been stricken off into Morgan County where I now live

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I first volunteered -- secondly I substituted for David Twig [?] and thirdly was called out on scouting parties against the Tories by the commanding Colonel of the County -- Colonel Porterfield.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. I do not recollect who was the General in the first Tour I served, in the 2nd Tour -- Arnold was general for the remainder of the officers I refer to the former part of my statement I have set forth the particular circumstances of my Services as fully as I now recollect --

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. I received a Discharge from Colonel Porterfield and from the length of time since I am unable to say what has become of the same

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. Thomas Lewis & John Hill Elliott

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 --

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ William Walsh

[William Coffee, a clergyman, and Thomas Lewis gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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