

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Harris S13314

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State of Kentucky } S.S.

Estill County } SS

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Patterson B Clark Sampson Walters & Sam'l Kelly – justices of the County Court in & for the County of Estill aforesaid, now sitting, William Harris, a resident of sd Estill County, aged 68 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 June 7th 1832 – That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

That in 1780 he was drafted in the militia from Louisa County Virginia that he went out he thinks in the month of April & served four months – He was in a company commanded by Capt. Sanders [probably John Sanders], _____ Crook was Lieut, Colo. Fountain & General [Thomas] Nelson were the Commanding officers – That the troops were rendezvoused at one Poindexter's in Louisa County – thence we proceeded to Hanover & were at Hanover Court House between one & two months – thence to Richmond – was there when British burnt the warehouses at Manchester – From Richmond we marched to New Kent – thence to Bowling Green, thence to Williamsburg – & back to Richmond, was discharged at Richmond – Immediately upon reaching Louisa County & before he reached his home volunteers were called for – that he volunteered & served a tour of three months – He was in a company commanded by Capt. White – went again to Williamsburg & Richmond – was marched from one point to another – he served three months & was discharged within about 10 miles of Richmond.

That he has no documentary evidence in his possession to prove his services never had any written discharge – but can prove them by Daniel Harris.

He was born in the County of Goochland Va has no record of his age – has resided in Kentucky 45 years – in Estill County aforesaid 30-years – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state–
Subscribed & sworn to the day & year aforesaid [signed] William Harris

[Daniel Harris deposed that he knew that his brother, William Harris, left home for the army and was gone a considerable time, and that it was said in the family that “he had been out to fight the british.”]