

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William West S14827

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State of Tennessee Robertson County: August Term County Court 1832

On this 16th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of the County of Robertson & State aforesaid, William West a resident of the County of Robertson & State of Tennessee aged eighty 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he deposes and says that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. Colonel John Litterall [sic, John Luttrell], Major John Griffis -- Captain William Douglas, and that he entered the service in the month of April 1781 and that he left the service in the month of July 1781 was a volunteer for 3 months and served this whole time was in aged scrimmage party at the battle that was fought at Lindley's Mill<sup>1</sup> where Colonel John Luttrell was killed and that he resided at the time he entered the service in the State of North Carolina Chatham County, was marched through different parts of the State of North Carolina routing of the Tories those he never left it. I was acquainted with General Butler [John Butler] of the militia. The company to which I was attached was commanded by Captain William Golson [William Goldston] Captain Abram Allen, & Captain William Jones & others, which I have forgot, & in July 1781 I got a discharge which I have lost after first serving out the three months which I volunteered for.

In the month of July 1781 & which was the latter part of said month I again entered the service, when I was drafted for three months served under the following named officers, to wit, Colonel John Mayburn [sic, John Mebane?], Major Roger Griffis -- Captain Tavener Mash, Lieutenant John Forbus [?] -- was marched immediately in the service in search of the Tories. Served from that time until after General Corn Wallace [sic, Cornwallis] was taken, which was as much or more than the time for which I was drafted, and a short time after Cornwallis was taken I got another discharge -- which I have also lost, I was at the time I was drafted a citizen of the State of North Carolina, Chatham County, I was marched through different parts of the State but was never marched out of it. I was acquainted with following named officers of the regular Army -- Colonel Robert Mayburn [sic, Robert Mebane], Colonel Chrysmas [sic, Christmas?], Major Edward Douglas, Captain Chrysmas [sic, Christmas?], General Morgan and General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], was the generals of the same, but General Greene had the command of the

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

regular Army -- that was in the State of North Carolina I think, at that time --

I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declare his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Test S/ W. Seal, Clerk

S/ William West

I William Edwards<sup>2</sup> of the County of Robertson and State of Tennessee do hereby certify that William West his name is annexed to the above petition served as a militia man under Captain Tavener Mash for 3 months and that I was in the same Company at the same time, and I know that he was in the Service of the United States for some time before he was drafted under Captain Mash, as a volunteer under Captain William Douglass as he has stated and that I have a confident belief, that he was a faithful Soldier and fully entitled to benefit of the act of Congress in such cases made duly provided.

S/ Wm Edwards

Sworn to and subscribed in open court this 16th day of August 1832

Test: S/ W. Seal, Clerk

[Edward Edwards, a clergyman, and Oliver Edwards gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Facts in file: the veteran moved some time in October 1839 from Robertson County Tennessee to Simpson County Kentucky and in 1841 was living near Franklin, Simpson County Kentucky.]

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

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<sup>2</sup> [William Edwards R3263](#)