

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Thomas Williams S14843

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North Carolina 6634 (7)

Thomas Williams of Currituck in the State of N. Car. who was a pri. in the com. commanded by **Captain Wicks** of the Reg^t commanded by **Col. Mathews** in the N. Carolina* line for 18 months. *Va. Line - Records corrected Mch 22, '08?

Inscribed on the Roll of North Car. at the rate of 60 Dollars 00 Cents per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 5 day of March 1833 and sent to **Hon. W.B. Shepard** and member of Congress

Arrears to the 4 th of March 1833	\$120.00
Semi-anl. allowance ending 4 Sep. 1833	30.00
	\$150.00

{Revolutionary Claim}
{Act June 7, 1832}

Recorded by **E.D. Bullock**, Clerk

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State of North Carolina}
Currituck County }

On this 29th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before **Caleb Etheridge, John B. Jones, William Bray and Benjamin T. Simmons**, Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina now sitting **Thomas Williams** a Resident of the county and State aforesaid of the age of sixty years & eleven months 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. He saith that he was born in Princess Anne County Virginia and turned out a volunteer under Captain **Amos Wicks** of that County some time in the month of May 1778 and marched to North West Bridge in Norfolk County Virginia and was placed under command of Colonel **Thomas Matthews** then Colonel of the Virginia Troops in the Continental line and remained in the Company for four months and was then discharged without writings and have no documentary evidence to prove this service but can prove I was a soldier at Northwest Bridge by **John Williams, Jesse Perry and Joshua Ball**. He further says that he in common with the other militia of Princess Anne County was called in the Years 1779 & 1780 to guard the Coast along the Princess Anne Shore and principally at Cape Henry. He says that this service was performed in regular Rotation of the different Companies of Princess Anne County and that in the 2 Years mentioned he was in service six months under Captain **Thomas Old** and Lieutenant **Tully Moseley**; that he has no documentary evidence to prove this service nor does he know any person living by whom he can prove it. He further says that he volunteered in said County of Princess Anne in January 1781 under the Command of Captain **Amos Wicks** and Lieutenant **George Walker** and marched to Norfolk Virginia and had a small skirmish in February and another soon after at Kempsville Princess Anne County

¹ Fold3.com has placed the documents relating to this application in the same file as that relating to [Thomas Williams S11836](#)

Virginia and on the 9th of March 1781 was taken a prisoner and remained a Prisoner in Portsmouth Virginian untill the surrender of **Lord Cornwallis** in October of that Year by which surrender he was liberated. He has no documentary evidence to prove this service but can prove by **John Williams** his confinement as a prisoner and that he carried him clothing and that the family understood that he was a prisoner. He hereby relinquishes every Claim 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 and Subscribed the day and Year aforesaid
signed **Thomas Williams**

We **Edward Hardy** a Clergyman residing in the County of Currituck and State of North Carolina and **Foster Jarvis** of the same place do hereby Certify that we are well acquainted with **Thomas Williams** who hath subscribed and sworn to the above Declaration that we believe him to be of the age of 60 years that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and Subscribed the day and Year aforesaid
signed **Edward Hardy**
signed **Foster Jarvis**

October 28, 1929

Honorable **Charles A. Jones** [Jonas?]
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. **Jones** [Jonas?]

In response to your letter of October 24, 1929, with enclosure from Mrs. **J.A. Fore** of Charlotte, North Carolina, I have the honor to advise you that you are herewith furnished the histories of all the soldiers named **Thomas Williams** who were pensioned for service in the Revolutionary War while residing in North Carolina, and of the only **William Willis** who served with the Virginia Troops, found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau and said records afford no information in regard to any **John Fore**.

From the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.14843, it appears that **Thomas Williams** was born September 28, 1762 in Princess Anne County, Virginia. While residing in Princess Anne County he enlisted in May 1778 and served four months in Captain **Amos Wicks'** Company, Colonel **Thomas Matthew's** Virginia Regiment. He served in 1779 and 1780, at various times, in Captain **Thomas Old's** Virginia Company and guarded the coast at Cape Henry, served in all about six months.

He enlisted in January 1781 and served in Captain **Amos Wicks'** Company, was in two skirmishes and was taken prisoner March 9, 1781, and held at Portsmouth, Virginia until the surrender of **Cornwallis**.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 29, 1832, at which time he was living in Currituck County, North Carolina. He died March 4, 1839, leaving children, their names are not given nor is the name of his wife stated.

Annotated Notes for Thomas Williams:

Possible marriage to Elizabeth Bonney in Princess Anne Co., Va. on Oct. 13, 1785

1790 Currituck Co., NC Census - 1m 16 & up -- 2f, 6 slaves

1800 Currituck Co., NC Census - 1m 10-16, 1m 26-45 -- 4 f 0-10, 1f 16-26, 1f 26-45; 4 negroes

1810 Currituck Co., NC Census - 1m 0-10, 4m 16-26, 1m 45 & up -- 2f 0-10, 3f 10-16, 1f 16-26, 1f 26-45; 12 slaves

1820 Currituck Co., NC Census is missing

1830 Currituck Co., NC Census - 1m 5-10, 1m 60-70 -- 1f 10-15, 2f 20-30, 1f 50-60; 13 slaves

May 29, 1838 - Thomas Williams signed an affidavit that he was born in the year 1762 and that he was the brother of

Col. John Williams, whose widow, Abiah, was applying for pension.