

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Valentine Morgan S1567

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State of Tennessee Grainger County

On this __ day of __ personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable the Judge of the Circuit Court now sitting Voluntine [sic, Valentine] Morgan a resident of the County of Grainger and State of Tennessee aged 72 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 and served as herein stated. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated.

He entered the service of the United States under Captain John Davis, Lieutenant Pierce [probably Lieutenant George Pearce] and Robert More [Robert Moore] Ensign that he entered the service on the 1st day of April 1777¹ and left the service the last of August of the same year, that he was in the battle at Stono River in the State of South Carolina under the command of Colonel Marlberry [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne] that he entered the Service in the County of Gilford [sic, Guilford] in the State of North Carolina where he resided when he entered the service, that he volunteered in the Service that he marched from Guilford to Bacon's Bridge, that he was stationed in the neighborhood of the British at Stono River to fret the Picket guard of the British that he served with Colonel McDowell [Charles McDowell?] General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] and General Butler [John Butler] that General Lincoln was a regular officer. He states that he volunteered for six months under Captain William Glen [William Glenn] in Colonel Thomas Henderson's Regiment under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] that he was taken sick just before the battle of Guilford Court House² and obtained permission from Colonel Henderson to go to his Mother's eighteen miles off that while he was there sick the battle of Guilford Court house was fought.

He further states that he again entered the service under Captain John Morgan and served 6 weeks that he does not recollect the day of the month that he entered the service under Captain Morgan that he was in Colonel Davidson's Regiment.

He further states that he again entered the service under Colonel Marlberry on this 6th day of June and left the service the 1st of September 1778, that he was in no engagement during

¹ From the facts described by the applicant, the year in which he entered the service must have been 1779, not 1777 as he states or at least as written down by the scribe. The battle of Stono Ferry occurred on June 20, 1779.

<http://gaz.irshelby.com/stonoferry.htm>

² March 15, 1781

this service that when he entered this term of service he resided in the County of Surry in the State of North Carolina.

He here with enclosed is documentary evidence of his service.

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/ Wm E. Cocke, Clerk

S/ Valentine Morgan, X his mark

By S/ D. Barton, DC

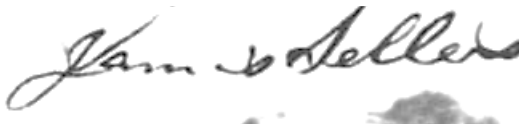
[John Bunch and Peter May gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Grainger County:

Personally appeared James Sellers³ who is a respectable & creditable person in his neighborhood aged 74 years before me Wm E. Cocke an acting Justice of the peace for the said County and after being duly sworn depose and saith that he knew Valentine Morgan as a soldier in the Army of the revolution and that he Sellers served 9 months under the command of General Lincoln in the North Carolina Troops given under my hand this 21st day of June 1833. Sworn to and subscribed before me.

S/ Wm E. Cocke, JP

S/ James Sellers

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Sellers". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a prominent flourish at the end of the name.

[James Lacey, a clergyman, gave the standard supporting affidavit on behalf of Valentine Morgan.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina militia.]

³ [James Sellers S3872](#)