

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

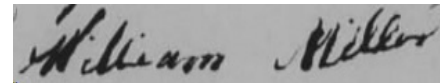
Pension Application of William Miller S16203
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PA VA [see endnote]

Circuit of Fleming

Fleming County. Kentucky Sct.

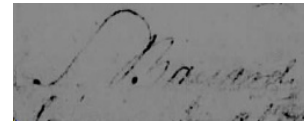
This day [4 June 1818] came William Miller personally before the Court, and made oath in open Court that on or about the month of August 1776 Lieut [John] Hughes Enlisted him as a Private in the Company of Capt Montgomery 8th Regiment of Pennsylvania Troops commanded by Col [Enos] McCoy & afterwards by Col Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead]. That he was about one year in [Daniel] Morgan's Rifle Corps & was at the taking of Burgoine [sic: Burgoyne at Saratoga, 17 Oct 1777] after Being in several Battles, and serving out his time of three years he was Honorably discharged by Col [Stephen] Bayard. That the Discharge is herewith Enclosed, and which together with the Depositions hereto annexed is all the evidence which he knows of that can be produced by him. He says that he is about sixty two years of age, and is now a Citizen of Fleming County Kentucky. That he is in Indigent Circumstances, and is compelled to ask the Pension allowed him by the late act of Congress



Fort Pitt Sept the 17th 1779

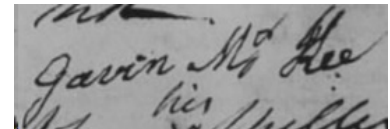
William millor soldier in the Eaight Penn Redgmt Being Enlisted for three years the 13th August 1776 having faithfully servd the above time as a good Soldier is hearby honorable Dischargd the servise Giving under my hand this 17th Day of September 1779

To all Concern'd [signed] S. Bayard Lt Colo
Command 8th P. R.



The Deposition, of Guion McKee [Gavin McKee, pension application S36112] and John Miller [S16974] taken before the Court, in open Court, states and shows that they served in the same Regiment & Company, during a part of the three years, and both of them know personally that the facts stated as above by said Wm Miller are true, and that he did to their own knowledge serve for three years as stated by him. That the Deponent John served about one year in Morgans Rifle Corps & the Residue of the time in said Regiment to the best of his recollection – and they both say that said William Miller is in Indigent Circumstances and stands in need of the Pension allowed him by Law as a Soldier of the Revolution.

And further they say not. [signed] Gavin McKee
John hisXmark Miller



State of Kentucky Sct

On this third day of November 1828 personally appeared in open court being a court of Record for Fleming County & State aforesaid William Miller aged 71 years on 15th January last residing in the said County of Fleming and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare That he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. First he enlisted with & served under Capt. Montgomery under Colo. McCoy and then Colo. Broadhead and he then served in Capt. Van Swearingen [pension application W5415] Comp'y in Colo. Morgan's Reg't. in the line of the State of Pennsylvania on Continental establishment that he made his declaration in th month June 1818 for the purpose of obtaining a Pension on which a certificate issued to him No. [blank] bearing date the [blank] day of Sept.

18 . and he does solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed:

one Cow & Yearling heifer worth	\$11.
one ten gallon kettle 1 pot 1 skillet & bake oven worth	5.
one Cupbord table & Chairs worth	10.
one bucket & one piggin	.50
one hoe and one axe knives & forks	2.50
ten head of hogs	10.
two sheep	<u>1.50</u>
	\$40.50

He the said William Miller further states that the above Scedule amounting to forty & half dollars is all the property he possesses on earth to the best of his knowledge and belief and the value affixed is the full extent of its worth that he was raised a Farmer and hath pursued labour until lately when from old age he has been unable to labour at any kind of business. That he hath a wife who is about 67 years of age and unable to labour from age and one Daughter who is subject to Fits and is an Expense That upon receiving his former Pension he made a purchase of land hoping to be able to pay for it by that means. But being struck off the Pension List he was unable to meet the pay'ts and have been compelled to give it up without receiving any title and hoping he might be able to live without the aid of his Government he hath not sooner applied to be reinstated on the Pension List but now finds he needs the aid of his Government
(Signed) William Miller

NOTES:

Although the file jacket indicates that William Miller served from Virginia, his service appears to have been entirely with the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment.

On 24 Jan 1835 William Miller applied to have his pension paid in Indiana, having moved to Marion County because “his Children had mooved to this stat and he was old and Infurm and he wonted to be with them and Land was Cheeaper and he Could git him a place.”