

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Mitchell S16967

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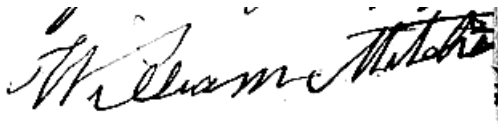
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State of Missouri County of Franklin SS

On this 10th day of September in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable David Todd Judge of the Circuit Court of said County now sitting, William Mitchell a resident of Maramcok [sic, Meramec, now in Jefferson County Missouri?] township in the County of Franklin and State of Missouri aforesaid, aged sixty-eight 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. Robert Cravens had the command of the Company to which he belonged as Captain William Smyth Lieutenant and Daniel Nelson Ensign, that he entered the service on or about the first day of September in the year 1780 and served a tour as a militia man of six months and left the service in the month of March in the year 1781, that he was a substitute and resided at the time in the County of Rockingham in the State of Virginia, that he marched from said County of Rockingham to Hillsborough in the State of North Carolina, that one General Stevens [Edward Stevens], Colonel Lucas, Majors Morris, Clayton & Williams were field officers, that one Captain Rinker from Shenadore [Shenandoah] County Virginia commanded a company in the same Regiment, and the said William Mitchell further states that the Army marched from Hillsboro to the Pe De [Pedee] River and was stationed contiguous to General Green's troops during the winter; in the latter part of February in the year 1781 the troop marched towards Virginia and on the Yadkin River was met by that part of the Army under the command of General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] and there the troops were fired on by the British. And the said William Mitchell further states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, that can testify to his service – and the said William Mitchell further states that he was born in Chester County in the State of Pennsylvania in the year 1764, that he has perhaps among some of his books or papers at his place of residence a record of his age, that he has lived since the Revolutionary War in North Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri, that he was a substitute for one Darby Ragin, that he never received a discharge, that he is known to the following persons James C Blair, Joseph Funk, John Stanton residents of his neighborhood – 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.

S/ William Mitchell



[John H Garvin, a clergyman, and James C Blair, Joseph Funk & John Stanton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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