

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Morgan S16985

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In the matter of Nathan Morgan: An applicant for a pension under the act of Congress of June 17, A.D. 1832 Recorded in book A page 326 E. Patton clerk.

The state of Indiana, Switzerland County, SS:

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Honorable the Probate court of the County aforesaid, being a court of record, Nathan Morgan a resident of Switzerland County Indiana aged 80 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> of June A.D. 1832 – that he the said Nathan Morgan entered the service of the United States during the American revolutionary war under the following named officers, and served as herein stated – That he, the said Nathan Morgan served in 1777 or 1778, volunteered and served as a private Soldier in a company of Virginia militia under Captain William Love in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Preston = was marched to NC [North Carolina], and was stationed part of the time [at] Chizels Lead Mine [Chiswell Lead Mine] in Montgomery County Virginia. The above service was in three several tours but all under Captain Love & Colonel Preston

And, that 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.

The Court, then propounded the following interrogatories to the said Nathan Morgan

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born? I was born in the State of Delaware on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 1752

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it? I have it at home, copied from my father's record

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live? I lived in Virginia and continued to reside in Virginia about 2 years removed to Georgia and lived there about 8 years = thence to SC [South Carolina] and lived there 3 years, in Kentucky about 27 years and in Indiana 20 years.

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom? I volunteered

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. Colonel Shelby [Isaac Shelby] and Colonel Arthur Campbell and Colonel Preston held a court of Inquiry over Colonel John Griffith = and said Nathan called out at the same time as a guard

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it? I never received any written discharge

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution. Pruitt Harvey, Johnson Brown, Henry Peters, Robert Mackay, Jacob Keon

8. Have you any documentary evidence of your service and do you know of any person now living whose testimony you can procure to testify to your services?

I have no documentary evidence and know of no person living by whom I can prove the same.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Edward Patton, Clerk

S/ Nathan Morgan

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nathan Morgan", written over a horizontal line.

[Samuel Pavy, a clergyman, and Charles B Freeman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The State of Indiana Switzerland County: SS

Be it remembered that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1833, personally came before me William C. Kean Judge of the Switzerland Probate court, Nathan Morgan of the County aforesaid who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades for four months, as a private under Captain Love stationed most of the time at Chizle's lead mine in Montgomery County Virginia = for two months as a private, under Captain Love, most of the time as a guard, at the court of inquiry holding a trial on charges preferred against Colonel John Griffith's men; who were tried for treason = one of the prisoners was found guilty – Sentenced to be hung but he made his escape. The deponent was on two or three short excursions or expeditions under the command of said Love, on the search of said Colonel Griffith and his Associates. And the said Nathan Morgan solemnly swears that he served for the full term of 6 months, for which service he claims a pension, and further saith not.

S/ Nathan Morgan

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