

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wright S17213

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State of Missouri Crawford County: SS

On this twenty seventh day of August in the year of our Lord 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable William T Hawkins & George H Coppidge Judges of the County Court of the County of Crawford now sitting William Wright a resident of Pulaski County in the State aforesaid, late of Crawford County but owing to a late division of Crawford County now lives in Pulaski, and the reason of his application in Crawford County Court is because all the men of a long acquaintance in this Country live near Crawford Courthouse, and that this Deponent states upon his oath that he was seventy-four years old the 17th day of last September, And after being 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 the 7th 1832. That he was born in the City of London on Bishops Gate Street in England and at the age of about 15 years this Deponent emigrated to America on board the ship *Belfour* in company with the British Troops commanded by General Gage and remained with them Troops until after the battle of Bunkers hill [Bunker Hill]. Some short time after that battle this Deponent deserted from the British Army and in the spring season of the year 1776 this deponent enlisted in the wagoning service for two years in Clark's Campaign. Then lived in Matinsburg [Martinsburg] in Barclay [Berkeley] County in the State of Virginia for which time this deponent was employed in hauling Continental merchandise from Barclay County in Virginia to Pittsburgh under the control of James McAllister Commissary General, and wagon Master Cox and at the end of the two years these officers told this deponent that his time of service was up, and he returned to his home but received no written discharge, and in the fall of the year 1780, this deponent enlisted in the Service of the United States under the command of General Clark [George Rogers Clark], Colonel Joseph Crockett, Captain John Carney & Lieutenant Thomas Wales. Then lived in Barclay County in Virginia, and marched from there through Winchester on our way to Albemarle Barracks and remained there near four months guarding Prisoners and then was marched to Pittsburgh where we joined General Clark and went down the River to the falls of Ohio and there remained the balance of his time to wit, three years on that enlistment and service, making in the whole five years service and this deponent states and says he received a written Discharge for the last three years service signed by Colonel Joseph Crockett Regiment Brigade nor division not recollected, and states and says his discharge is lost or so misplaced so that he is unable to produce it here in Court, and he knows of no person whose testimony to his actual Service in the Revolution, and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State, and this deponent further states that he was all the time of the towers [tours] of duty aforesaid constantly employed in the United States Service and that he was not employed

in any civil pursuit during the time aforesaid.

S/ Wm Wright

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wm Wright". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first few letters.

[f p 29: On February 25, 1835 in Crawford County Missouri, Milley Wright made oath that she is the widow of William Wright, a revolutionary war pensioner who died July 17, last past.]

[f p 9: receipt dated June 1, 1835 showing the disbursement of \$29.83 since for 4 months and 13 days pension due to Milley Wright as widow of William Wright from the 4th day of March 1834 to the 17th day of July 1834. The receipt is signed by James Hanson attorney for Milley Wright]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum missing March 4th, 1831, for his service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]