

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cary Quigly S22452

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State of Pennsylvania Westmoreland County SS

On the 22nd day of May 1833 Personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County in open court Cary Quigley [sic] aged eighty-seven years who being duly sworn according to law makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832. That he entered as a private in the Army of the United States as this declarant believes as a volunteer in the year 1776 in the Corps then called the "Flying Camp" in a company commanded by Captain Davis Maxwell [could be David Maxwell], Lieutenant John or Jonathan Hartshorn [?] The deponent does not distinctly recollect who were the General officers but thinks they were sometimes commanded by Colonel McGaw¹ & Major McNeal. That he entered the service in Lancaster County Pennsylvania. That the Company to which he was attached marched through Philadelphia to Trenton Princeton & Amboy to fort Lee in the fall of 1776. That he was at fort Lee in New Jersey on the North River when fort Washington was taken on the opposite side of the River we then evacuated fort Lee and was marched to Philadelphia where we were dismissed having been in the service about three months. I then removed to Westmoreland County Pennsylvania and resided there until 1781. In July of that year I enlisted in a company commanded by Captain William Cambell [William Campbell] and Lieutenant Saml Craig [Samuel Craig²] the whole Corps under the command of Colonel Archibald Laughrey [Archibald Lochry] we were immediately ordered to join General Clark [George Rogers Clark] at the Falls of Ohio on a campaign against the Indians. We marched from Westmoreland County in July 1781 and marched to the mouth of Grave Creek on the Ohio where we then proceeded on down the Ohio in Boats and landed near the mouth of the Great Miami River soon after we landed we were attacked by a body of Indians about five hundred in number & defeated³ about one half of our men were killed among the number were Colonel Lochry & Captain Campbell and all the rest taken prisoners. I was taken to New Chillicothe where I was detained until sometime in the winter following. From there I was taken to Detroit and delivered a prisoner to the British. The spring following the declarant was taken by the British from Detroit to Niagara in upper Canada. I was then taken to fort Carrollton and from there to a place called Prisoners Island near Montréal where we remained about six months we were then taken to Montréal put on board a vessel and taken to Québec where we remained three weeks when the declarant with eighteen

¹ The War Department interpreted this name as Colonel McCain

² [Samuel Craig W3075](#)

³ There is an excellent account of the engagement known as Lochry's Defeat posted at <http://boards.ancestry.com/topics.Military.amerrev.general/803/mb.ashx>

other prisoners were taken in a vessel to New York where we remained a few days and were then sent up North River near fort Lee there was an exchange of Prisoners when this declarant was exchanged and delivered to Colonel Smith an American officer by whom we were discharged sometime in the winter of 1782 perhaps in December. The declarant states he was a private during the whole time he was in the service. That he now resides & has resided since his discharge in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania. The declarant states that he has no evidence of his service except the affidavit hereto annexed and that he is unable to procure the certificate of a clergyman as the only one convenient to him when he was able to attend church is now dead & that he has no acquaintance with his successor.

In answer to interrogatories propounded by the Court he answers

1st That he was born in Dublin call Ireland in 1745

2nd I have no record of my age

3rd Is answered in foregoing declaration

5th [sic] Is answered in foregoing declaration

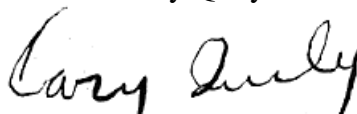
6 Declarant states that he is acquainted with the Honorable John Lobengier one of the judges of this Court Major Alexander Cooper & Andrew Byerly Esquire.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn & subscribed in open Court the 22nd day of May A.D. 1833

Attest Randall McLaughlin, Prot.

S/ Cary Quily



[Jacob Byerly & Hezekiah Robins gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Pennsylvania Westmoreland County SS

Before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Westmoreland personally came James Cain⁴ who being duly sworn according to law saith That in the year 1781 in August he was at Laughreys Defeat [Lochry's Defeat] by the Indians was a private in Captain Thomas Stokely's Company of Rangers. That he was well acquainted with Cary Quigly who was also a private in a company commanded by Captain William Campbell [William Campbell] the whole under the command of Colonel Archibald Loughrey [Archibald Lochry]. We marched some time in July 1781 from Westmoreland County & That said Quigly was at Lochry's defeat by the Indians near the mouth of the Big Miami River and was at that time taken prisoner by the Indians. That this deponent is now seventy-three years of age.

S/ James Cain, X his mark

Sworn & subscribed before me this 22nd day of May A.D. 1833

S/ Will McKinney

State of Pennsylvania Westmoreland County SS

On the 28th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court Cary Quigly who being duly sworn according to law makes the following declaration in addition to his declaration made heretofore & hereto attached: – That he served two months as a private soldier in the Corps called the "Flying Camp" according to the best of his recollection in the fall of the year 1776 under the officers mentioned in his declaration heretofore made. That he enlisted as a private

⁴ Sic, [James Kean S22342](#)

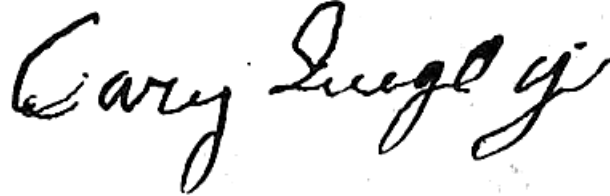
soldier in the company commanded by Captain Campbell [William Campbell] that was attached to the Corps under the command of Colonel Archibald Laughrey [Archibald Lochry]. That we marched from Westmoreland County Pennsylvania sometime between the first & 10th of July 1781 according to the best of his recollection that we were marched directly to the mouth of Miami River where we were attacked & defeated by the Indians. That this deponent was there taken prisoner in detained as such until the middle of December 1782 when he was discharged (for the particulars of his captivity he refers to his declarations heretofore made) making in all a service of one year and 7 months as a private soldier and for such service he claims a pension.

This declarant further states that he knows of no person now living who can prove the length of time he was a prisoner and can procure no evidence but that contained in his own declaration.

This declarant further states James Cain whose deposition is attached to his declaration cannot know the length of time he was a prisoner for the reason that after we were taken we were separated into different parties and taken in different directions – that he can only prove by him that he was in the service at the Defeat of Lochry.

Sworn & subscribed in open court the 28th day of October 1833
S/ Randal McLaughlin, Prot.

S/ Cary Quigly

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cary Quigly". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the printed name "S/ Cary Quigly".

State of Pennsylvania Westmoreland County SS

On the 28th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court James Cain who being duly sworn saith that he is unable to state anything concerning the length of time that Cary Quigly was a prisoner among the Indians. That he knew said Cary Quigly was a private soldier in Captain Campbell's company & was at Locke be by the Indians at the mouth of Big Miami River we separated into separate parties and taken in different directions but how long said Quigly was a prisoner he does not know as he neither saw nor heard of him during his captivity.

Sworn & subscribed in open court the 28th day of October 1833

S/ James Kean, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$70 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for one year and 9 months service as a private in the Pennsylvania militia.]