

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Dodson S30994

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State of Kentucky, Nelson County Sct

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day January 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the Nelson County Court now sitting William Dodson a resident of the said county and State aforesaid aged Seventy 74 years, who 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he enlisted in the eight virginia Rifle Regiment, he thinks in the month of February in the year 1776 for the term of two years; that at the time he entered the service he was a resident of Shenandoah County [Dunmore County until 1778] Virginia, that he served two year & two months – two months over the time enlisted for when he was discharged at the valey forge by Gen. [Charles] Scott.

That he was commanded by Colonls Muhlenburg & Boman [sic: Peter Muhlenberg and Abraham Bowman] and in the company of Capt Richard Campbell. That after his enlistment they started from Stevens Town [probably Stevestown near Front Royal] and went to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] from thence to Suffolk & Norfolk, from thence to Tarberry & Hillsbury [sic: Tarboro and Hillsborough NC], through N. Carolina, to Camblin to Charlestown [sic: Camden SC to Charleston] and to Savannah, to Sansberry [sic: Sunbury] and there we were stationed & Gen. [Charles] Lee was commander in chief. We then returned to the North and wintered at the Valley forge. That he was in an engagement at Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & also at German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777]. At the first place Gen. Scott commanded. At the last he does not recollect who commanded; Gen Scott however was there

I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Interrogatories propounded by the Court.

1 Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in Shenandoah County on the Shenandoah river Virginia, on the 29 of March 1758

2 Have you any record of your age?

Ans. I have none.

3 Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live?

Ans. In Shenandoah County. I moved from there to Kentucky, and have lived in Nelson County of said State untill the present time

4 How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

Ans. I volunteered.

5 State 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

Ans. I have stated all I know or can now recollect in this declaration.

6 Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans. I received my discharge from Gen. Scott but it is lost.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood, and who can testify as to your character for veracity, and good behaviour your services as a soldier of the Revolution.

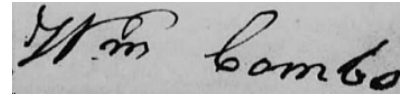
Ans. Thomas Duncan. Thomas Linthicum

Subscribed and sworn to the date aforesaid

Wm. hisXmark Dodson

The Deposition of William Combs [pension application S35859] taken on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 1832 in the town of Flemingsburg Fleming County Kentucky;

This deponent states that he is well acquainted with William Dodson and that he believes him to be about his own age; viz, 74 years, That they both enlisted in the 8<sup>th</sup> Virginia Rifle Regiment, he thinks in the month of February in the year 1776 for the term of two years, the regiment was commanded by Colonels Muhlenburg and Boman and in the Company of Captain Richard Campbel, that at the time they enlisted they both resided in Shenandoah County Virginia, that he served term of two years within a few days, when he was discharged on account of sickness at the Valey forge by Gen'l. Scot[t] and that when he left the army said Willi[am] Dodson was still in the service and further this deponent saith not.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm Combs". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

State of Kentucky Nelson County June 17<sup>th</sup> Day 1833 I James Harrel Do Certify that William Dodson Lived in the State of Virginia and in Shenadore County at the time he Enlisted in the oald Revolution war and he Enlisted under Lieutenant Matthias Hite and was attached to the Company Commanded by Captain Richard Cammel and was Attached to the Eight Virginia Ridgment and served two years. In the Regular service I see his Discharge after he Returned home but I Do not Recollect the officers Name that gave it to him he Lives In Nelson County Kentucky at this time and I Believe he is seventy seven years of age Last March  
James hisXmark Harrel