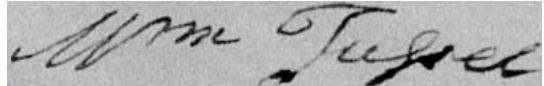


Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of William Fysel (Fussell) S31046 GA NC
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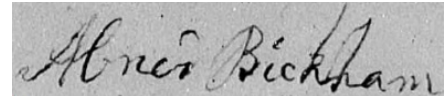
Personally came & appeared before me Ezekiel P Ellis a Justice of the Peace in & for the parish of Washington & State of Louisiana William Fussell to said Justice well known as a person of high respectability & integrity and being solemnly sworn on the Holy Evangelist deposed & saith as follows (to wit)

That deponent is in his seventy third year of age that he served in the Revolutionary war as a private in the State of Georgia in the Regiment commanded by Col. Daniel McMurphy in the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy seven four months, that he served another tower of four months in said State of Georgia in the Regiment commanded by Col John Twigs [sic: John Twiggs] in the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy Eight. That he also served in the state of North Carolina six months part of said time under General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] and the remainder in the Warren County light horse in the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy nine
And farther this deponent saith not, Sworn to & subscribed before me this May 21st in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & twenty nine



Personally came & appeared before me Ezekiel P Ellis a Justice of the peace in & for the parish of Washington State of Louisiana Mr Abner Bickham to said Justice well known as a person of high respectability & integrity and after being duely sworn on the holy Evangelist deposed & saith as follows (to wit) That he is known to Mr William Fussell, that the deponent served with the said William Fussell in revolutionary war in the State of Georgia in the Regiment commanded by Col Daniel McMurphy and company commanded by Capt Moses Davis during the space of four months in the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy seven, that also he served in 1778 with deponent in the Regiment commanded by Col John Twigs in the company command by Capt Lewis a tower of four or five months

Further this deponent saith not Sworn to & subscribed before this 21st day of May one thousand Eight hundred and twenty nine



Personally came & appeared before me Ezekiel P. Ellis a Justice of the Peace in & for the Parish of Washington and State of Louisiana Mrs Sarah Slocum to said Justice well known as a person of respectability & integrity & after being duely sworn on the holy Evangelist deposed & saith as follows (to wit) That deponent remembers when Mr William Fussell returned home from the Florida expedition with two of her Brothers who said they were returning from said Expedition

Further this deponent saith not Sworn to & subscribed before me this the 21st day of May AD 1829

Sarah herXmark Slocum

Personally came & appeared before me Ezekiel P. Ellis a Justice of the peace in & for the State of Louisiana and Parish of Washington Mrs Dicey Bickham to said Justice well known as a person of respectability & integrity & after being duely sworn on the holy Evangelist deposed & saith as follows That deponent recollects Mr William Fussell being with the Army in the Revolutionary war at the Florida Expedition, and also recollects his having been with said Army in the year 1778 at Butlers Creek in the State of Georgia [see endnote] Further this deponent saith not

Sworn to & subscribed before me This 21st day of May AD 1829

Dicey herXmark Bickham

State of Louisiana } Be it Known and remembered that on this thirty first day of July
Parish of Washington } in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty two
before me Thomas C Warner Judge of the Parish Court of the Parish aforesaid and said State personally
appeared William Fuzzell a resident of said State and Parish aged Sixty five years who first being duly
sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of
the act aforesaid and the following Interrogatories being propounded to wit

Interrogatory 1st Where and in what year were you born

Answer I was born in Beaut County [sic: Bute County, formed from Granville in 1764] in the State of
North Carolina on the 4th day of December AD 1756

Inter 2nd Have you any Record of your age if so where is it

Answer I had the Record of my age but as I was moving to this country it was damaged by water and lost
but I know that I had said Record and that that is my age

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

Answer My Residence was in the State of North Carolina, but I entered the service in the State of
Georgia when on a visit to my Brother

I lived a few years after the war in the State of North Carolina removed from there to Georgia I lived
there till the year 1810 then I removed to the above State and Parish where I now reside

Inter 4 How were you called into Service? were you drafted Did you volunteer or were you a substitute
and if a substitute for whom

I entered the service as a volunteer

Inter 5 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

Answer John Jones was the Col John Houston [sic: John Houstoun] Commander in Chief. I served ten
months in the State of Georgia and then returned to North Carolina and there volunteered my services
under the command of Genl Green under whom I served two months I also served three months in a
horse company under the command of Aaron Fuzzell I was in the engagement at Guilford North
Carolina commanded by Green [Battle of Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] and in different skirmishes
scouting fights &c at different times and places

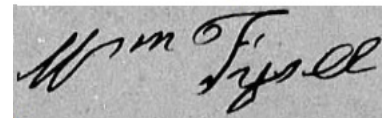
Inter 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has
become of it

Answer I received a discharge from General Green but it was lost with the Record of my age as above
stated

Inter 7th State the names of persons in your present neighbourhood to whom you are known and who can
testify to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution

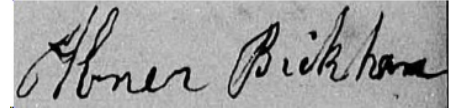
Answer Abner Bickham [pension application S30274] Dicy Bickham & Sarah Slocum
and I the said William Fizzell on oath as aforesaid hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension
or annuity except the present and I declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any
state

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid



Then appeared Abner Bickham and being duely sworn as aforesaid says that he knew William Fuzzell in
the State of Georgia that he knows that he volunteered his services in the Revolutionary War under the
command of Col Jones in the Florida Expedition for six months in the year 1778 that he also saw him in
the service in the year 1779 under the command of Col Twigs that he lived a neighbour to said Fuzzell in
the State of Georgia after the war and also in this State and believes him to be a man of veracity and that
his declaration is true

Sworn to & subscribed day & year aforesaid

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abner Bickham".

Dicy Bickham says that she has been acquainted with Wm Fyzell many years that she was married at the time of the Florida Expedition believes that the said W Fuzzell was in said campaign and after that at Butlers creek under Col Twigs and does believe him to be a man of veracity and that his declaration is true

Sworn to and subscribed day & year aforesaid

Dicy herXmark Bickham

NOTES:

I could find no record of an engagement at Butler Creek, which is just south of Augusta GA. The reference may be to a skirmish involving Col. John Twiggs on 28 June 1779 at Butler's Plantation, also known as Hickory Hill and Ogeechee Ferry, just west of Savannah.

The first application was under the pension act of 1828 was rejected, because that act provided only for soldiers who served to the end of the war.

A Treasury-Department document states that the widow of William Fussell received the final pension payment up to the date of his death, 21 Sep 1836.