

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Williams S31487

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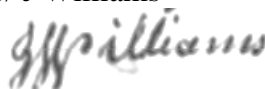
State of Louisiana, Parish of West Feliciana: Declaration of James Williams in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832

On this 4th day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared before me John B. Dawson, Parish Judge of said Parish, presiding in the Parish Court & Benjamin Collins, clerk of said Court is also present acting as such – the undersigning James Williams a Resident of this Parish of West Feliciana Louisiana aged sixty eight years, who being duly sworn according to Law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provisions made by the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832.

That he enlisted in March 1779 in Burke County in the State of North Carolina in a village called Morgan Town [Morganton] and he left the service in October 1781. His Captain was Ransom Blount his Lieut. was Thomas Allen [? text is damaged and difficult to decipher] of the first company in the 3rd Regiment of North Carolina commanded by Colonel Robt. Mabin [Robert Mebane] and Major Thomas Hogg: -- That he was in service two years and four months = after serving 14 months he was taken Prisoner at the Fall of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] = he remained in prison three months when he effected his escape: when he was again entered into service with General McDowell [Charles McDowell] of the North Carolina Militia, Mounted Riflemen: The battles in which he was engaged in as follows = He was at the Fall of Charleston = He fought also at King's Mountain [October 7, 1780] under Colonel McDowell [Joseph McDowell], Colonel Campbell [William Campbell] in command – He fought at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] under Colonel Malmady [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne], General Nat Green [Nathanael Greene] in command – after the Battle of the Eutaw Springs he went to Bell Branch 15 miles above Salisbury in Rowan County and was there and then discharged by Colonel Matthew Locke = his name he believes is on the war Roll.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

S/ J Williams



Sworn to and subscribed before
me John B. Dawson, Parish Judge
of the Parish of West Feliciana, La.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 18 months in the North Carolina Continental line and militia.]