

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Wilson S32076

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State of Georgia, County of Walton

On this nineteenth day of November 1832 personally appeared before the honorable Inferior Court of the County & State aforesaid being a court of Record George Wilson a resident of the County of Walton in the said State of Georgia aged Eighty two years on the first day of July last past who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1777 on the 22nd day of March with Captain John Lynch for the term of three years & served in the fifth Regiment of the Maryland line under the following named officers William Smallwood Brigadier General, John E. Howard [John Eager Howard] Lieutenant Colonel, John Eagleston Major, James Wolds, Adjutant, James Gray 1st Lieutenant, Philip Reed, 2nd Lieutenant, Thomas Jones, 1st Sergeant, Levi Smith 2nd Sergeant & William Gow Corporal. And deponent further declares that he enlisted for & served the term of three years or more in the land service & that he left the land service the ninth of May 1781 at Charlotte Court House in North Carolina at which time & place last aforesaid he was regularly discharged by Captain Perry Benson Captain Commandant which discharge is no where in this deponent's power, custody or control at this time having been so far as he knows or believes long since lost or destroyed.

And this deponent further declares that at the time he entered into the service he resided in the County of Talbot & State of Maryland. And this deponent further declares that he was during his service engaged in the following battles or fights at the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] Pennsylvania and at the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] Pennsylvania, at the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] State of New Jersey and at the storming of Stony Point [July 16, 1779] on the Hudson River in the State of New York and at the surprise of Poler's Hook [sic, Paulus Hook, August 19, 1779] in New Jersey & at Gates Defeat [August 15-16, 1780] at a place called the Gum Swamp near Camden in South Carolina & at the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] in South Carolina at the head of Buck Creek where this deponent was wounded & at the battle of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781] in the State of North Carolina & at what was called the second fight at the town of Camden [the Battle of Hobkirk's Hill, April 25, 1781]] in South Carolina & at the siege of Ninety Six [May 22-June 19, 1781]. And this deponent further declares that he marched through the following sections of Country, first from Talbot County in the State of Maryland where he enlisted to Brandywine in Pennsylvania, thence to Wilmington in the State of Delaware, thence to Germantown in Pennsylvania. From thence this deponent marched to winter Quarters of the Army at Valley Forge in Pennsylvania. At the breaking up of winter Quarters the following Spring deponent marched to Monmouth State of New Jersey. From thence deponent marched to a place called the White Plains in the State of New York where he remained the balance of that summer, the battle of Monmouth having taken place in July. From White Plains deponent marched to winter quarters at Middlebrook State of New Jersey. From thence to a place called Smith's Cloves. From thence to a place called Buttermilk

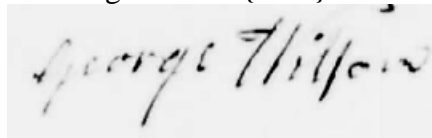
Falls on the Hudson River in the State of New York near West Point where this deponent worked upon Fort Putnam on a Redoubt and a part of the time upon Fort Defiance. From thence this deponent marched to winter Quarters on the plains of Mendorn [?] near Morristown in New Jersey. The Spring following in April this deponent took the line of March for the Southern Country & passed through Princeton in New Jersey & Trenton also where he took Shipping & landed at Christian Bridge in the State of Delaware. From thence this deponent marched to Elktown in the State of Maryland. From thence this deponent took Shipping again & landed next to Petersburg in Virginia. From thence this deponent marched to Hillsboro in North Carolina. From thence he marched to a place called the Gum Swamp near Camden in South Carolina where General Gates was defeated. Thence he this deponent marched on the retreat back to Hillsboro in North Carolina. There this deponent was detached & put under General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & marched thence under said general Morgan through North & South Carolina to Pacolet River in South Carolina from thence to the Cowpens in South Carolina where he was engaged in the battle at that place here before mentioned. Thence this deponent marched on the retreat before Lord Cornwallis through South Carolina, North Carolina & a part of Virginia to Halifax Old town in the State last mentioned. Thence to Guilford Court House in the State of North Carolina. Thence to Camden in South Carolina. Thence back to Charlotte Court House in North Carolina where this deponent was discharged as aforesaid.

And this deponent further declares that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the day & year first aforesaid.

S/ John P. Lucas, Clk

S/ George Wilson {Seal}

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George Wilson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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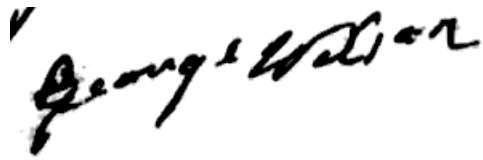
State of Georgia, Walton County

On the fourth day of October 1843 Personally appeared in open Court of the County of Walton and State aforesaid George Wilson a resident of the County and State aforesaid of the age of Ninety four years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in April 1777 under Captain John Lynch [John Lynch] and at his death Captain Perry Benston [Perry Benson] in the County of Talbot and State of Virginia and Served in Major John Dean's Battalion and Colonel William Richardson's Regiment of the Maryland line and John E. Howard was the Lieutenant Colonel and that he served until September 1781 as a private enlisted Soldier, and then he was Brevetted to Ensign by General Green [Nathanael Greene] and served in that capacity is eleven months and that he fought at the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, the Storming of Stony Point and at the surprise of polars Hook [sic, Paulus Hook] then left the North and moved to the South and fought at Gates Defeat and was taken prisoner and then fought at Tarleton's Defeat at the Cowpens and there he was wounded, then at the Battle of Guilford and Sundry other Places of Smaller Note, his last Captain was Perry Benston, is Major John Dean and his Colonel John E. Howard, his Generals, Greene and Morgan. 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 in any other State or Territory only on the agency of the State aforesaid.

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court the day and year above set forth the court called for this purpose.

Test:

S/ George Wilson



S/ W. Briscoe, JIC
S/ Neh. Johnson, JIC
S/ Warren J. Hill, JIC

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Land Office, Annapolis, April 20th 1833,

I Certify, that it appears by a Depreciation Pay Roll, remaining in my Office, that George Wilson a private 5th Regiment of the Maryland Line, received £60.8.6 Depreciation Money, issued to the Maryland quota of troops on Continental Establishment, on the 29th day of May 1781.

S/ George G Brewer
Register Land Office, W. S. Md.

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Land Office, Annapolis, April 20th, 1833;

I Certify that it appears by the musterrolls remaining in this office; that George Wilson, enlisted for the term of three years, as a private in Capt. Lynch's Company of the 5th Maryland Regiment; on the 29th day of May 1778; was present the 1st of October 1780; and was discharged the 5th of May 1781;

S/ George G Brewer
Register Land Office, W. S. Md.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Maryland Continental line.]