

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Campbell S32162

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State of Indiana Crawford County Sct

This 13th day of October in the year of our Lord 1822 Personally appeared in open Court, it being a Court of Record, the Circuit Court of Crawford County and State of Indiana having civil and criminal Jurisdiction in all cases William Campbell aged sixty-six years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and an act of May 1820. That he the said William Campbell enlisted for the term of one year sometime in May in the year of our Lord 1780 or '81 in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain Alexander Prevard [sic, Alexander Brevard] in a Regiment commanded by Colonel __, his name not recollected, but commanded the same Regiment in which John Armstrong was Major in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment, that he continued in service for the Term of 18 months in the said Corps and was then discharged from said service at the Continental factory in the State of North Carolina, that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, – I was in a great many scouting parties previous to my enlistment and always acting as a volunteer in such cases and I was three times broken up by the British and Tories –

I am by occupation a farmer and by reason of imbecility of body I am not able to obtain a livelihood. I have a wife Nancy Campbell age 72 years, she is quiet feeble we had three children living but none of them with us – Nancy aged 40 years, William Hendon aged 33 years and Enos aged about 30 years I have to Orphaned grandchildren living with me, Nancy Campbell aged 14 years and Peggy Campbell aged 11 years and I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property due to me nor have I any other income, securities, contracts or debts due to me other than what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed to it – one small horse, 4 cows & calves, three young Cattle, 11 head of sheep, 15 or 20 hogs young & old, one feather bed & bedding, one falling leaf table, one breakfast table, one drawing knife, one hand saw, one pair drawing chains, one log chain, one pair Stretchers, 160 acres of land, \$80 paid own it, one ten gallon kettle, two common ovens five pewter plates two pewter basons, one pewter dish, five earthen plates, one earthen dish, one axe, five split bottom chairs one armed chair, a

few knives and forks.

S/ William Campbell

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Campbell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ William Campbell".

State of Indiana Crawford County

On this second day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before the Honorable Samuel Hall president Judge and Henry Green and Elisha Tadlock esquires his associates Judges of the Circuit Court of the County of Crawford in the State of Indiana now sitting it being a Court of record, William Campbell a resident of Crawford County in the State of Indiana aged seventy-six 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1780 with Captain Alexander Prevard [sic, Alexander Brevard] and served in the ___ Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named officers Captain Alexander Prevard, John Armstrong was Major. Was drawn from said Alexander Prevard's company and placed in the Continental Factory situate in Iredell County in the State of North Carolina under the command of George Davidson. That he continued in said Factory as a Shoemaker until the end of the war when he was discharged by Captain Alexander Prevard which discharge is not now in the possession of this applicant that is destroyed. That at the time he entered the service he resided in Iredell County North Carolina. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any cat state.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Campbell¹

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State of Indiana Crawford County and Circuit: Sct.

An amendment to the declaration of William Campbell a resident of said County and state to the declaration made by him at said County on the second day of October 1832 before the Circuit Court of said County:

On this 29th day of October in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Samuel Hall President Judge and his Associates it being the Circuit Court of the County of Crawford and State of Indiana now sitting and being a Court of record William Campbell now aged seventy-seven years the 1st day of August 1833 who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his previous declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he was called out in the defense of the United States in the fall of the year 1775 under the command of Captain John Hamblin and served six weeks he marched against a party of Scots that had raised in rebellion against the United States or the territory of America and was discharged at a place called Cross Creek the Army that went against the Scots was commanded by Governor Alexander Martin of North Carolina he resided when entering the foregoing service

¹ This signature is in the identical handwriting as the rest of the document. Consequently, I am of the opinion that either the veteran road out the application himself or the signature was made by the scribe without indicating that the veteran signed by his mark.

in the County of [illegible] and entered the same in the County of Roan [sic, Rowan] and State of North Carolina, was at a defeat of a party of Scotts [sic, Scots] near Wilmington in said State and was discharged by Hamblin (got no written discharge)

(Second) that in the year 1781 he volunteered in the service of the United States as a private under the command of Captain Benjamin Hern [sic, probably Benjamin Hearn] in Wilkes County State of North Carolina and served ten days was attached to Major Davidson's Regiment in the foregoing tour was at the defeat of a party of English then supposed to be a part of Cornwallis's Army at the mouth of Rocky River at a place called Colstons [sic, Colson's] ferry, and was discharged by Captain Hern

(Third) That in October 1781 according to the best recollection of this declarant he volunteered under Colonel George Davidson in the Continental shoe factory situate in Iredell County and State of North Carolina and served three months in making shoes for the Army in said factory at the end of the three months as aforesaid he was drafted out of Captain Nicholas's Company for 12 months and turned out under Captain Alexander Prevard [sic, Alexander Brevard] for a 12 month service and went immediately at Salisbury and in a few days Colonel Davidson petition for him to be sent again to the shoe factory as aforesaid and accordingly was sent there by Major John Armstrong where he served the United States in making shoes in said factory 12 months and was discharged by Captain Prevard he then received a written discharge he afterwards put his discharge in the hands of Captain Prevard has never since seen the same and supposes it is lost. That he was born in Culpeper County in the state of Virginia on the first day of August in the year 1756 his age was recorded in his father's Bible – he knows not where said Bible is at this time. When he entered the first term of service he resided in Wilkes County in State of North Carolina, in all the other times of service when he entered the same he resided in Iredell County and State aforesaid from thence he removed to the State of Kentucky and remained there about seven years from thence he removed to the State of Tennessee where he remained about seven years and from thence he emigrated to the State of Indiana Crawford County where he now resides he has no documentary evidence of his services nor does he now know any person living by whom he can prove his services as aforesaid he here gives the names of Judge Henry Greene and Colonel E E.Morgan two of his neighbors who can testify to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

S/ William Campbell

[E E Morgan and Henry Green gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 19: on October, 13, 1838 in Knox County Illinois, William Campbell filed for a transfer of his pension benefit in order to be with his son. This document bears the following signature



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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify, that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that William Campbell a private in Captain Brevard's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted in 1781, and left the service the 28th of April 1782, is therefore to be inferred he served 12 months.

Given under my hand this 11th June 1833.

S/ Wm Hill

[p 11: On May 7, 1852 Enos Campbell, 60, filed an affidavit in Bureau County Illinois stating that he is the only heir and surviving child of William Campbell, a revolutionary pensioner who died January 19, 1840; that his mother Nancy Campbell, whose maiden name was Nancy Hendron [or Hendrow] died August 12, 1849; that his parents were married he believes in the state of North Carolina in the year 1790 or 1791; that he believes his parents continued to live in North Carolina for about four years then removed to Kentucky then removed to Indiana and then removed to Illinois in 1836.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for one year service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]