

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Ephland S32239

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State of Indiana, Monroe County: SS

On this 27th day of August in the year of our Lord 1833 personally appeared before the Park [sic, Parke] Circuit Court of the State of Indiana (the same being a court of record) at the August term thereof in said year David Ephland of the Township of Sugar Creek in the County of Park [Parke] and State aforesaid aged eighty-two 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 about the time of the declaration of Independence the year not recollected with one Captain Moore and was placed in the Company of Captain Goodman [probably William Goodman] and served in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named Officers: to wit -- __ Goodman (first name not recollected) his Captain, __ Moslander [Abel Moslander] (first name not recollected) his Lieutenant, __ Thackson [James Thackston] his Colonel -- Frank Nash [Francis Nash] his General he afterwards was killed at Brandywine -- that he enlisted for three years at Orange County, North Carolina where he then resided -- he was then marched to Wilmington in said State -- an express then came and he was marched to Halifax in Virginia -- thence was marched back to ~~Charlestown~~ Wilmington, thence to Charlestown where we were stationed all winter until the 14th day of March -- thence marched to the North as the Declarant thinks to Lancaster Pennsylvania and a considerable number of the Army was vaccinated to prevent the taking of the small pox [smallpox] and whilst he was in this condition the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and was fought in their said Nash was killed -- afterwards Greene [Nathanael Greene] was his General and under him he marched in pursuit of Cornwallis and was at the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] -- he was marched in pursuit of Cornwallis to Deep River where we took 25 prisoners -- thence marched to the Heutaw Springs [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] where Greene had a fight with the British and drove them into Charlestown in which this declarant participated and took a number of the British -- then Washington took Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] and there was no more fighting and this declarant obtained leave to go home, and also a written discharge from Colonel Goodman which has long since been lost -- that the time he served in the Revolutionary War was two years and six months -- that he is very old -- his mind much impaired, and his memory much more -- that he cannot recollect certainly how old he was when he entered the service, nor all the places through which he marched -- nor any other Officers other than those he has mentioned.

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 the agency of any State whatever that

he knows of --

Sworn and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid
S/ Jno G. Davis, Clerk

S/ David Ephland, X his mark

State of Tennessee, Knox County

This day Boston Graves¹ Personally appeared before me George Graves a Justice of the Peace within and for said County and deposeth on oath that he was acquainted with David Ephland in Orange County North Carolina during the revolutionary war and that he knew him to enter into the service of the United States in said war against Great Britain & went to Wilmington -- but does not know how long he served he also believes that he was frequently in the service of his country by short tours but can't distinctly recollect the length of any he also believes that in all his services he was a private soldier sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of August 1833.

Attest: S/ George Graves, JP

S/ Boston Graves, B his mark

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

¹ [Boston Graves R4213](#)