

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Logan S32385

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' or 'undeciphered' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention. Researchers should not rely solely on the transcripts but should review the originals for themselves. These transcripts are intended as an aid to research, not to be used in lieu thereof.]

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State of Indiana, Franklin County

At on this 15th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open court before the honorable Judges of the Franklin Circuit court now sitting William Logan Senior a resident of Fairfield Township, Franklin County and State aforesaid aged Seventy one 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 of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he entered in the service of the United States and served as herein stated: lived in Lawrence [sic, Laurens] County now called; but at that time Ninety Six District South Carolina. First volunteered as a ranger for three months in August 1780 under Captain Lard [sic, Robert Laird] and Major Kilgore [Benjamin Kilgore]; served in guarding the frontier against the Indians and Tories who were out with them this tour was commenced in August 1780 and that he served in Said tour three months—That he volunteered a Second time in December 1780 under Captain Laird, Major Kilgore and General Andrew Pickens and went to the Cherokee Country. This second time was commenced in December 1780 served at this time one month—volunteered a third time under Captain Dillard [James Dillard], Colonel Casey's [Levi Casey's] Regiment and served as a mounted Ranger whenever called upon until peace was declared. This third term of service was commenced in January 1781 and continued til November 1782. Always ready at a moment's warning and was in actual service three months under Captain Dillard in said last or third term of service making in all seven months actual service in the aforementioned terms. Part of the third tour was in pursuit of the Tory Cunningham and party who had murdered seventeen Americans in my neighborhood or within about eighteen miles from me. We pursued them to Edisto River in the Edisto Swamps. The whole of the above mentioned service I served as a private soldier.

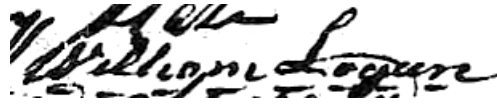
He states that he has no documentary evidence of Service and knows of no person except James Keever¹ and Robert Templeton² who can testify to his services.

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

S/ William Logan

¹ [James Keever \(Keever, McKeever\) W10166](#)

² [Robert Templeton S32550](#)



Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.
S/ Robert John, Clk, F.C. C.

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On this the 16th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open court James Keever who first being duly sworn according to law deposes and saith that he knew William Logan in the time of the Revolutionary war; that he knows he served in this war and that he verily believes he served at least six months and it is likely longer. That he lived within six or seven miles of said William Logan at that time in South Carolina. That he recollects his services under Captain Dillard in particular.

S/James Kiver, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.
S/Robert John, Clk, F. C. C.

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On this the 16th day of October AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the honorable Judges of the Franklin Circuit court Robert Templeton Senior who after he was duly sworn according to law deposeseth and saith that he knew William Logan in the Revolutionary war and served with him on a tour under General Pickens [Andrew Pickens] to the Cherokee Country of Indians and at several others after the Tories – he served under Captain Lard [sic, Laird] and further he states that he knows William Logan served a considerable length of time but does not know the precise length of time and that he lived 2 miles from the residence of William Logan in the now County of Lawrence [sic, Laurens] South Carolina but at that time known as Ninety Six District South Carolina.

S/ Robert Templeton



Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.
S/ Robert John, Clerk F. C. C.
[William Tyner, a clergyman and Doctor Rufus Haymond gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

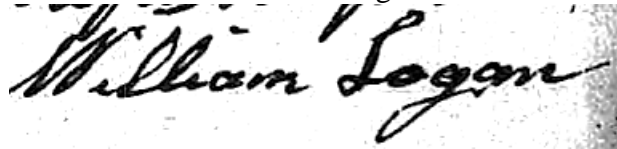
Answer's to Interrogatories:

- First: I was born in the year AD 1762 in Ireland.
Second: I have a record of my age at my residence in Franklyn County Indiana.
Third: I was living in what was then called Ninety Six District, but now Laurens County South Carolina. I lived in the above mentioned place until AD 1813 since which time in Franklin County, Indiana where I lived ever since the Revolutionary War.
Fourth: I was each term of service a volunteer.
Fifth: I knew you Generals Pickens, Williamson & Casey.
Sixth: I volunteered in the month of August 1780 under Captain Laird and Major Kilgore and in this tour served three months; in December 1780 I volunteered under Captain Laird and General Pickens and in this second tour I served one month in January 1781. I volunteered a third time

under Captain Dillard in Colonel Casey's Regiment was a mounted Rangers always in readiness to March until the conclusion of peace in 1782 during which time I was with actual service three months; a part of this time was served in pursuit of Cunningham and party who had murdered 17 Americans in the surrounding neighborhood where I then lived and I had served seven months in the Revolutionary war as a volunteer soldier.

Seventh: I received no discharge in writing. I am acquainted within my present neighborhood by the Reverend William Tyner and Dr. Rufus Haymond.

S/William Logan

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Logan". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

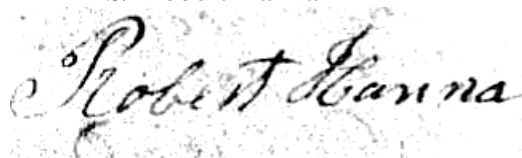
S/ Robert John, Clerk F.C.C.

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State of South Carolina Laurens District: This is to certify that I was acquainted with William Logan when living in this County which is said to be living in the State of Indiana Franklin County he was a brother soldier with me in the South Carolina militia in the Little River Regiment then commanded by Captain James Dillard, Colonel Joseph Hayes, Colonel Levi Casey Generals Pickens & Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. After Captain Laird resigned Logan joined Captain Dillard's company, the first of the month July 1780 and In continual duty until about the first of November 1782 -- in the whole about 18 months during which time he was in the service and a tour to the Cherokee nation under General Pickens. Shortly after our return we was discharged from duty General Pickens commanding officer.

State of South Carolina Laurens District: Personally came before me Thomas Craig one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace for said District Robert Hanna and being duly sworn on oath saith the above certificate of William Logan's services is correct according to the best of his knowledge.

S/ Robert Hanna³

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert Hanna". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 20th of October 1834.

S/ Thomas Craig, JP

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State of Indiana Franklin County:

On this 11th day of August 1835 personally appeared before the Probate Court of Franklin County now sitting William Logan a resident of Fairfield Township in the County aforesaid and State aforesaid, aged seventy-three 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 7th 1832 --

³ [Robert Hanna \(Hannah\) R4574](#)

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That he was born in Ireland (in the kingdom of Great Britain) on the 3rd day of August 1762. That he has no record of his age but thinks it from the statements of his parents while they were living -- that he emigrated from Ireland to South Carolina in the year 1766. That he lived in Lawrence district [sic, Laurens District] South Carolina from that time all through the period of the revolutionary war, and until the year 1805 when he removed to Franklin County Indiana, where he has since resided and still resides. --

That he volunteered as a private soldier in the South Carolina militia under Captain Lard and Lieutenant Gilbert McNairy and Colonel Williams [James Williams] Regiment Captain Kilgore [Benjamin Kilgore] was the Captain of the Company when he entered, but his place was very soon taken by Captain Laird. That he entered the above company in June 1780 and served three months in guarding the frontier against the Indians and Tories, and served the whole time in guarding the frontier of Ninety Six District -- Catleles [sic, Cathie's ?] Station was our head quarters for the ranging companies -- we were in no battles during this tour of service all the service here was on horseback. The first of November 1780 he entered a 2nd time as a private volunteer soldier in the same company under General Andrew Pickens on an expedition to the Cherokee country -- the cause of this expedition was the taking of Lindley's Fort by the Indians -- they took seventeen prisoners from the Fort -- our companies under Pickens pursued them and about forty miles from the Fort, we came to the dead bodies of the prisoners who had all been murdered by the Indians and left in a peach orchard at an Indian Town called Kewee or Chotee -- there we encamped till we were reinforced from Georgia -- we then pursued on to the middle settlements in the Indian Country -- had some skirmishes with the Indians and Tories, and shot several and burned what we could find -- but was in no regular battle. That he served [text obliterated by an ink blot] during this tour.

That he volunteered a third time in the South Carolina militia in the company of Captain Dillard and commenced my service under him the first of July 1781 -- one of the tours of service under Captain Dillard was the pursuit of the Tory Cunningham [William "Bloody Bill" Cunningham] -- we came near to Cunningham near to Ninety Six and having heard that he had one hundred men and we having but fifty -- Major Kilgore who was commanding, ordered us to [indecipherable word] in all directions and meet him at Pott's on Enoree River and take with us then all the Whigs we could find -- we did so and from Potts went again in pursuit of Cunningham, and overtook him near the Edisto River they had crossed and encamped on the British side of the River we crossed over and attacked them about daybreak one morning -- we found them encamped in parties, at the first encampment we killed all but one and wounded him, at the second encampment we found Cunningham, and a large party, they all escaped by swimming the River, Cunningham left his sword and fled immediately to Charleston to the British, where he staid till the close of the war. Another part of service under Captain Dillard was the removal of the Tories families to the country over which the British had sway -- after the Whig families had been ordered to be removed from South Carolina by Lord Rawdon -- that after the pursuit of Cunningham he returned to the ranging business in Ninety Six district -- and served as a mounted Ranger till October 1782 in all fifteen months full -- that he was not in the battle at Ninety Six as stated in the affidavit accompanying this declaration, being in a company of twelve or fifteen sent out by General Greene to watch the movements of Lord Rawdon, and returned to the company of Captain Dillard (who was in the battle) just as it had closed, and we retreated towards Camden -- Captain Dillard had his finger shot off at the battle at Edisto River -- That all his service of fifteen months under Captain Dillard was as a volunteer private soldier --

That he never received a written discharge from service and for the services above he claims [one or more indecipherable words] of his pension.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the Agency of any State except on that of the Agency of the state of Indiana. Sworn to and subscribed the day given aforesaid.

S/ Robert John, Clerk

S/ William Logan

[Elijah Barwick & Richard Tyner gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran again answered the 7 standard interrogatories but without adding any significant details to his prior statements.]

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State of South Carolina Laurens District:

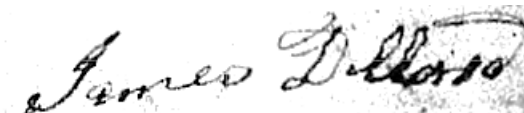
This is to certify that about the month of August 1781 William Logan late of State and district aforesaid now a resident (from information) of the State of Indiana Franklin County Enrolled himself in my company of South Carolina militia in the Little River Regiment -- then commanded by Colonel Joseph Hayes until his death; who was succeeded by Colonel Levi Casey under the command of Generals Pickens & Greene -- and was kept on continual duty until October or November 1782 -- in the whole 15 or 16 months = during which time He was at the siege of Ninety Six -- & the battle of Edisto under General Pickens. Another service in which we were employed was a tour to the Cherokee nation under General Pickens -- Shortly after we returned He was discharged from duty General Pickens commanding officer

State of South Carolina Laurens district: Personally came before me Thomas Craig one of the Justices assigned to keep the peace for said district James Dillard Captain and being duly sworn on oath saith that the above certificate of William Logan's services is correct according to the best of his knowledge --

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of October 1834.

S/ Thomas Craig, JP

S/ James Dillard⁴

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James Dillard", written in dark ink on a light background.

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South Carolina Laurens District:

Personally came before me Captain James Dillard one of the revolutionary Soldiers, and being sworn in due form of law on oath saith that William Logan resided in this state, and in the district of Ninety Six, during the revolutionary war and that he enrolled himself in the actual service of his country as a private in my company of Light horse Rangers, in the year 1781, and continued with me until the close of the war which was 8 months or more. I do further testify that agreeable to his letter to me he is now living, and resides in the State of Indiana, Franklin County.

S/ James Dillard, late Captain

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 30th September 1836

S/ Thomas Craig, JP

⁴ [James Dillard S6797](#)

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South Carolina Laurens District Personally appeared Captain James Dillard one of the Captains of Militia in the old Revolutionary War before Thomas Craig one of the justices of the peace of said District and State aforesaid and being duly sworn and on his oath saith that he knew William Logan then a residentiary [sic] of South Carolina and Laurens District but since removed to the State of Indiana and of Franklin County. He was a revolutionary soldier under the command of Captain Robert Lard who was under the command of Colonel Joseph Hayes in the Little River Regiment. He continued under the command of Lard whilst he was in office and then he attached himself to his company and under his command until the end of the war. He is certain that he served as a soldier at least two years to his own personally [sic] knowledge.

S/ James Dillard

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 25th of September 1833

S/ Thomas Craig JP

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South Carolina Laurens District:

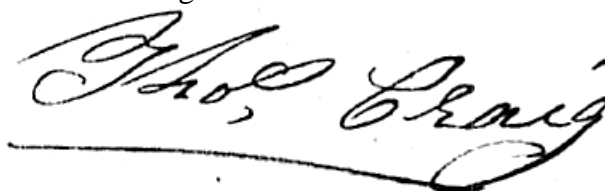
Most affectionate uncle your letters is duly at hand & I have done as much as I deem required as there is none of the presiding judge is immediately here to certify the clerk's seal you can direct your agent if it is desired to call our representative in Congress to prove that fact Mr. Griffin I shall not charge you but one dollar at your convenience

my family & all your old neighbors is well as far as I know we have been healthy this season mother-in-law is quiet weakly at this time wheat crops is trifling other crops is good cotton sells at \$15 per bale let this suffice at this time write to me the first opportunity as I shall wish to hear that you have received this & then I will write you more full if we shall all be spared.

Yours with respect

September 26, 1833

S/ Thomas Craig

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

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25.88 per annum based on 7 months service, 4 months in the Infantry and 3 months in the Cavalry.]

[WTG note: the declarant's dates are doubtless wrong. The service he claims in 1780 was more likely to have been in 1782 when Pickens is known to have undertaken a campaign against the Cherokee Indians. All service dates should probably be moved forward 2 years.]

[Facts in file: veteran died September 12, 1838, his widow Elenor Logan, was living in 1838; there is no other information in the file regarding his widow or any children; Thomas Craig, a nephew of the veteran gave testimony in 1833 and was acting as a justice of the peace in Laurens County South Carolina in 1834.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts⁵ relating to William Logan
Audited Account No. 4643
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[Transcribers Note: I believe the following document relates to this veteran but there is no way to be absolutely certain of that attribution because of the sparsity of facts relating to the service by the veteran given in the following document.]

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No. 54

[No.] 116 [Book] T

Mr. William Logan his account of Militia duty as private since the reduction of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Amounting to

[old South Carolina] Currency £22.0.0

Stg. [Sterling] £3.2.10 ¼

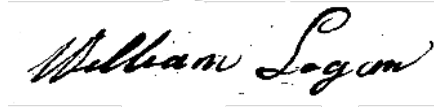
Ex^d. T. W. [Examined by Thompson Whitehurst]

J. M^c. A.G. [approved by] John McCall, Adjutant General]

State of South Carolina

Loarance [sic, Laurens] County} Mr. Blak [Edward Blake] & bocat [Peter Bocquet] Treasurers
Gentlemen be So Kind as to give my indent and Special indents to the bearer Robert Hanna and
his receipt shall be your Discharge as witness my hand this 26th Day of September 1785

S/ William Logan



Rec'd 22nd June 1785 full Satisfaction for the within Account in an Indent No. 116 Book T By
Virtue of an Order

S/ Robert Hanna



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State of South Carolina to William Logan

Duty per Col. Anderson's [Robert Anderson's] return [not extant] – Currency

Dr. [Debtor]

£22.0.0

Stg. £3.2.10 ¼

⁵ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AAs) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name. The number behind the 'pp' indicates the number of pages in the file and the 'Audited Account No.' is the actual Account Number assigned by the South Carolina Archives.