

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Everett S3342

VA

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State of Tennessee } S.S.

Marion County } }

On this 9th day of April in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Nathaniel W. Williams on of the Judges of the Circuit Court of Law and Equity for the State of Tennessee aforesaid at a Court now sitting at the Court house in the Town of Jasper for Marion County aforesaid, William Everett a resident of said County of Marion and State aforesaid aged sixty nine 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that is to say – he entered the service according to his number or turn (or was drafted) in Captain Jo. Morton’s [Joseph Morton’s] Company of Militia in Pittsylvania County (Virginia) and was marched in the year 1781 early in the year and immediately after being drafted, as aforesaid, under the command of Gen’l Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens], Col Peter Perkins and Capt Jo Morton from Pittsylvania County Virginia to Guilford Courthouse in North Carolina and was in the battle called Guilford battle [attle of Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] where Gen’l [Nathanael] Greene had the command of the American troops Cols. [William] Washington & Lea [sic: Henry Lee] had command of the American Light horse, and where Cornwallis commanded the British forces. [Lt. Col. Banastre] Tarleton had the command of the British Light horse. Col Lea of the American Light horse was taken prisoner by the British and retaken by the Americans during the battle. This applicant retreated with the army to troublesome Ironworks where they arrived some time in the night after the battle was fought and remained there a few days (three or four as well as this applicant remembers) in which time the army collected and pursued the British to Ranson’s mill [sic: Ramsey’s Mill, 19 Mar] on Deep river, in Chatham County North Carolina, as this applicant thinks where between fifteen and twenty prisoners were taken, and this applicant was with those of Capt Morton’s Company that remained ordered to guard the prisoners and march them to Halifax Court house, Va, where this applicant was discharged, as well as those who served in his company, that remained by their Capt. Jo Morton which discharge is herewith exhibited. This applicant served three months this tour. He returned home from Halifax Court house and soon after went to the head of Holston the name of the County not recollected, in virginia, and there substituted in the place of John Paine, who was a drafted militia man, and served in his place under Captain Jesse Hoskins against the Indians. (in the year 1782) a three months tour, and was during said service stationed at Dotson’s ford, on said Holston river, for some time, this applicant was in no engagement with the Indians during this tour, he returned and was discharged by Capt Hoskins, which discharge is lost but this applicant dont recollect how or when.

This applicant served the before mention tours as he states making in all six months. This applicant before he was drafted was in several short expeditions as a volunteer he recollects being once marched by Capt Waters from Pittsylvania County to Halifax old Courthouse both in Virginia, but has no recollection about how long he served in those expeditions, he thinks but a few weeks at a time.

This declarant states that according to the record of his father he was born in Richmond County virginia on the 24th May 1763. he has no record of his age himself but his father had and he well recollects the year and date from frequently having seen the one his father had. he does not know what has become of it. his father died in Halifax Co. Va. about thirty years since, and since this applicant left that state this applicant expects the record is in his brother John Everetts possession, who is living in Caswell County N.C. if alive.

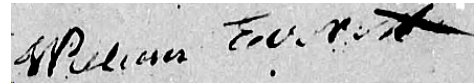
He resided in Pittsylvania Co. Va. as stated when he entered the service and resided there (except four or five months while he was at the head of Holston) about two years after the Revolutionary war terminated,

he then removed to Bedford Co. Va. & resided there about four years, from there he removed to Caswell County NC. and lived there five years & then removed to Hawkins County in this State (Tennessee) and resided there about eighteen years, & then removed to Knox Co. Ten. and resided there about sixteen years, & removed from there to this County (Marion) and has resided here eighteen months, and still resides here.

He states that he has no documentary evidence of his services except the discharge herewith exhibited nor is there any living witness of his services that he can obtain without a great deal of trouble and expense, if at all.

He also states that he is known in his present Neighborhood to John C. Everett a Clergyman and John Martin who can testify as to his Character for veracity and good behaviour, and as to his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Everett", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

NOTE:

The file contains a 27 Nov 1838 letter to the Pension Office by Duinett Everett of Campbell Station in Knox County.

A Treasury-Department document in the file states that the widow of William Everett received the final pension payment up to the day of his death, 31 Dec 1840.