

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Niblet S35011

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Auditor's Office, Annapolis, June 9, 1819

I hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that William Niblet enlisted as a Private in the 7<sup>th</sup> Maryland Regiment, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May 1778 and was discharged in November 1780.

S/ Thos. Harney [could be Karney], Aud. S. M.

State of Maryland, Worcester County, To wit

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818, before me the subscriber an Associate Justice of the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District of Maryland personally appeared William Niblet aged 68 years resident in Worcester County in the said District who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled: "An act provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:"

That he the said William Niblet enlisted in 1777 in the State of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Hardman<sup>1</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Maryland Regiment commanded by Colonel Gunby [Lt. Col. John Gunby of the 1<sup>st</sup> Maryland Regiment]; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the Close of the Revolutionary War when he was discharged from service at Annapolis in the State of Maryland, that he was in the Battles of Camden [Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and Cowpens [January 17, 1781] – at Kings Bridge & in several skirmishes -- & was in service five years and that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except hereto annexed.

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James B. Robins, Associate Judge of 4<sup>th</sup> Jud.  
District of Maryland

On the Day & year aforesaid appears before me is Ezekiel Thomason<sup>2</sup> who being first duly sworn on the holy evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with William Niblet, and served with him in the Army in Captain Hardman's Company, afterwards in Captain Lyles' – in Alexander Roxburg's [Alexander Roxburgh's] Battalion & and Colonel Gunby's Regiment for several years. Sworn before

S/ James B. Robins

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1 O'Kelley lists a Major Henry Hardman of the Maryland Line as being at Eutaw Springs on September 8, 1781.

2 [Ezekiel Thomason S35100](#)

Worcester County

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1820, personally appeared in open court being a court of record of unlimited and original jurisdiction for the County, William Niblet age 71 years, resident in the State of Maryland in the said County who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war, as follows: He enlisted in the year 1778 in Worcester County in the company commanded by Captain Harmon [sic] and in the 7<sup>th</sup> [sic] Maryland Regiment on the Continental establishment & in which he served five years and nine months and from which he was regularly discharged and the number of his certificate is 13,409

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or other wise 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

I have one bed scantily furnished a blind horse four old chairs valued by the Court at \$10

I have a wife who has been confined to bed for 15 months. My own state of body is very feeble and renders me unable to labor I have six sons residing with me by whose exertions and the charity of others I have been enabled to live.

S/ William Niblet, X his mark