

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of David Wilson S35119

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State of Maryland, Washington County SS.

Be it remembered that on the twenty eight day of March in the Year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Eighteen personally appeared before me the subscriber an associate Judge for the fifth Judicial District of the State of Maryland, composed of Frederick, Washington and Allegany County, David Wilson of said County, a man of colour, and made oath on the holy Evangely of Almighty God – That in the year seventeen hundred and seventy eight he enlisted at Chester Town, Eastern Shore Maryland in Capt. Johnsons [probably Josiah Johnston's] Company, Fifth Regiment Maryland line, commanded by Col'l. [William] Richardson – That he continued in service until the conclusion of the War, and received at Annapolis his discharge – Lieutenant Clemens, having at that time the command of the Company, Capt. Riley [sic: William Reily, pension application W26377] having left them at James Island [South Carolina].

At the same time the said David Wilson exhibited a deposition of Col'l. Philip Reed, late captain in the Revolutionary Army, and two depositions of Boston Medlar [S38212], formerly a drummer in the seventh Maryland Regiment, in support of his claim for a Pension from the United States – and which depositions are hereunto annexed.

In Testimony whereof I have subscribed these presents day and year first above written

[signed] Abm Shriver

I David Wilson do hereby relinquish all claim to any pension under the Laws of the United States passed previous to the Act of Congress passed in the present year Eighteen hundred and eighteen. Given under my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of March Eighteen hundred and eighteen

David hisXmark Wilson

Jefferson County [VA] to wit

Boston Medler formerly a drummer belonging to the seventh Maryland Regiment commanded by Col. John Gunby in the revolutionary Army, this day appeared before the undersigned and made oath that David Wilson a man of colour now present and residing in Washington county state of Maryland is the same David Wilson that served in the revolutionary war as a soldier in the fifth Maryland regiment first brigade and that he was at the Battles of Camden [SC, 16 Aug 1780], Hopkiks hill [sic: Hobkirk Hill SC, 25 Apr 1781] Eutaw Springs [SC, 8 Sep 1781], Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], and the seige of Ninety six [SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781]

Given under my hand at Charlestown State of Virginia this 16th day of April 1814

Kent County }

Maryland }

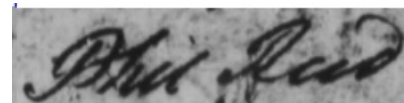
23^d May 1814

The above named David Wilson was raised in the same neighbourhood where I

was. I knew him from an early period of his life. He enlisted himself a soldier in the fifth Maryland Regiment about the beginning of the year 1778. I have a very distinct recollection of his being in the service for several years of the war, and from my own knowledge of his being one of the most orderly and gallant soldiers I have not one doubt he must have remained in the service until the close of the war

Phil Reed Captain

Late Maryland Line



STATE OF MARYLAND, WASHINGTON COUNTY, SS.

On this first day of August 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the said county, David Wilson aged Sixty four years, resident in said county, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: – That he enlisted in June 1778 under Capt Josiah Johnson in the fifth Maryland Regiment, in the first brigade under Gen'l [William] Smallwood, and served until the War was over and was discharged at Annapolis in Maryland. That his original declaration was made on the 28th day of March 1818 Pension Certificate is No 3212 and bears date 1st Oct'r. 1818

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY, &c.

1 Horse 14 Years old

1 Cow

2 Hogs

1 Stove

2 Iron Pots

1 bowl[?]

3 old chests

1 Trunk

2 Old Tables

6 old chairs

3 hoes

2 Wedges

1 axe

Some Shoemaker Tools

That he has not been able to labour for a good many Years, but took up the trade of shoemaker and has done rough work for some years, but suffers pains in his shoulder either from old age or from a wound received in the War has a wife aged 48, and a small boy who is afflicted at times with the Rheumatism.

David hisXmark Wilson

Witness Thos. Kennedy