

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

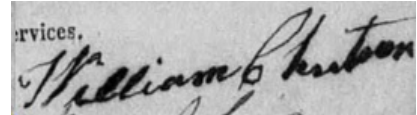
Pension Application of William Christian S35830  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

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DISTRICT OF Kentucky, SS.

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the said district, personally appeared William Christian aged sixty years, resident in Fayette 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 to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war." That he, the said Wm. Christian enlisted in Hanover County in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Dabney of the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regt. under the command of a Col (whose name he does not now recollect) in the fall of 1775; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until the fall of 1776, when he was not discharged from service having been sent home on account of sickness some month or two before the usual time of expiration of service, that he was in the battles Camplin & Goochland mill at the time of Genl. Gates' defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] & some other skirmishes while afterwards serving in the militia and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stand 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.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid.

A small, rectangular image showing a handwritten signature in cursive. The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The name "William Christian" is clearly legible, though the handwriting is somewhat stylized. To the left of the signature, the word "services." is partially visible, suggesting the signature is on a document related to military or naval service.

NOTES:

On 7 June 1819 Judah Christian, 69, certified that she knew of William Christian's service.

Christian was pensioned for one-year of service, but a note on the pension certificate states that the pension was suspended in April 1820, apparently because his name was not found on muster or payrolls. I could not identify Capt. Dabney or an engagement at "Camplin & Goochland mill."