

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Williams S36394

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State and District of Georgia Wilkes County

On this the 24th day of February 1823 personally appeared in open court, to wit, the Superior Court of Wilkes County being a court of record having been constituted such by the law of the said State & which has the power of fine & imprisonment and which has its proceedings recorded & is unlimited in amount of jurisdiction William Williams resident of said County aged sixty-two years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision may by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and first May 1820 – That he the said William Williams enlisted for the term of During the Revolutionary war on the first day of September 1781 in the State of Virginia under Major Richard Call in the Regiment of light Dragoons and served in the company commanded by Captain Churchill Jones at his discharge in the Regiment commanded by Colonel George Bailer [George Baylor] in the line of the State of Virginia as this deponent thinks though his services were rendered principally in South Carolina on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps until about the 11th of June 1783 when he was discharged from the said service at Nelson's Ferry in the State of South Carolina. That he was at the siege of York during his enlistment and other battles though they were before his enlistment and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except what is hereto annexed.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 in any manner whatever 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. That I am a farmer by occupation and that from the age of this declarant and a wound received in the revolutionary war I am not able to support myself in comfort. I further state that I have a wife aged sixty-three and her age and infirmities unable to support herself and that the rest of his family residing with me consist of two daughters one aged about fourteen and the other about twenty-two years and from there Imbecility not very able to support themselves

Schedule of property

owned by William Williams on the 24th day of February 1823

2 beds and furniture

7 head of cattle

25 head of hogs

and a few other scanty articles of household furniture  
Sworn to and declared the 24th day of January 1823 before me John M Dooly Judge of said  
County

S/ Wm Williams<sup>1</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Wm Williams". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Wm Williams<sup>1</sup>".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March first, 1823, for two-year  
service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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<sup>1</sup> This signature was taken from an application for a new certificate of pension which the veteran filed in Wilkes County, GA., July 19, 1828. The reason I did not use the signature as appears on the original application is that that signature looks to the as if it was in the same handwriting as the rest of the document and therefore not the actual signature of the veteran. This appears to me to be the actual signature of the veteran.