

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Alexander: S36398

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Mercer County Sct

August County Court 1820

William Alexander produced into Court the following schedule to wit A Schedule of the whole Estate & income of William Alexander a pensioner of the United States under the Act of March 18<sup>th</sup> 1820 [sic: 1818; original pension application not found] as per Certificate of Secretary of war bearing date the third day of February 1819

30	Acres broken third rate land	
1	Black mare 17 years old	
1	Bay Horse 9 years old	
1	Brown Horse 5 years old	
5	head of Cattle	Valuation
18	Hogs Pigs included	\$275 By
15	Head of sheep	James Alexander
6	Chairs old & broken	John Cardk Y`
1	Oven	
2	Pots & two ovens (old)	
½	plates & knives & forks	
1	Loom (old)	

William Alexander

I William Alexander of the County of Mercer & State of Kentucky a pensioner of the United States and at this time 67 years of Age weak in body do hereby solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & 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 securitys contracts or debts due me nor have I any other income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed so help me god William Alexander

Former Pension Certificate No.  
Schedule

District of Kentucky S.S. Mercer County Viz

On this second day of July 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for s'd. County made a Court of record by Act of the Legislature having power to fine and imprison William Alexander aged sixty eight years resident in Mercer County in said district who being first sworn according to law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows I enlisted for eighteen months with Capt. John Denham of the 2<sup>d</sup> Virginia Reg't. on Continental Establishment commanded by Colo. Peter Davis and afterward by Colo. Sam'l. Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes] and was in the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] Camden [probably Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781] & Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781] also at the siege of 96 [Ninety-Six] in South Carolina [22 May - 19 Jun 1781]. I faithfully served out my time and was honorably discharged at Salisbury in the state of North Carolina. I am now old and unable to maintain myself by labor having no trade or occupation except that of a farmer I have a wife who is 62 years of age & very infirm and sickly all my Children are working for themselves being of age or married the land I occupy being very broken & stoney is very much worn out & washed away so that I consider myself in such indigent circumstances as to stand in need of assistance from my Country for support And I also 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the

provisions of the act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval services 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 me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Thirty acres of poor stony land at one dollar per acre.....	\$30.00
1 Mare at thirty five dollars. ....	35.00
9 Head of Hogs & Pigs.....	4.50
1 Cow & Calf .....	6.00
5 Head of sheep.....	3.00
½ Doz Chairs .....	5.00
two Pots & sett knives & forks. ....	4.25
1 Dresser .....	<u>4.00</u>
	91.75

William hisXmark Alexander

Declaration

In order to be restored to the pension list under the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> March [sic: May] 1820

State of Kentucky

County of Mercer SS.

On this Fourth day of August 1823, personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the county of Mercer s'd Court having power to fine & imprison William Alexander resident in said county aged seventy one years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820. that he the said William Alexander enlisted for the term of 18 months on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July in the year 1780 in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Archibald Denham in the regiment commanded by Colonel [not clear, but probably Sam'l Haws] in the line of the state of Virginia 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg't on the Virginia Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps until 17<sup>th</sup> January 1782 when he was discharged from the said service in Salisbury in the state of North Carolina that his name has been placed on the pension list and dropt there from on account of his property

William hisXmark Alexander

And in pursuance of the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & 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 me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me Subscribed that since the exhibition of my first schedule the following changes have been made in my property viz one mare given to my son George for taking care of me. I have two sons the youngest will be 21 years old in a few months 14 Dec 1823 and I have my wife old & infirm and I will then be wholly dependent on them for my support as I am unable to work for It no other changes have taken place.

Schedule of the whole Estate of William Alexander In the County of Mercer

30 Acres of poor stoney land. ....	\$30.00
1 Mare and Colt. ....	30.00
1 Cow .....	7.00
4 Sheep .....	4.00
7 small hogs.....	3.50
1 pot & oven & Dresser ware.....	<u>5.00</u>
	\$79.50