

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Anderson S36403

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State of Kentucky Sct

William Anderson of Barren County in the state aforesaid, aged nearly sixty four years, this day personally appeared before me Christopher Tompkins, one of the Circuit Judges for the State aforesaid, and sole Judge of the Barren Circuit Court, and declared and stated on his oath as follows: That in the month of February 1776 he enlisted for two years as a regular soldier in Captain Matthew Jouitt's Company [sic: Mathew Jouett's company, raised in Albemarle County], Maj'r. William Nelson's battalion of the 7th Virginia Regiment in the Continental line, commanded by Col. Alexander McClanahan [sic: Alexander McClenahan], and that he served as a soldier as aforesaid, in the revolutionary war against Great Britain, about one year & ten months, and that he afterwards obtained a discharge from Lieut. Robert Jouett, which is hereto annexed: that the reason why he, the said Anderson, did not serve his full term of two years is stated in the endorsements on the back of said discharge. The said Anderson further states & declares on oath, that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777], while he belonged to the army as aforesaid, and that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his Country for support. Given under my hand this 28th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty.

This will Certify that William Anderson Enlisted with Col. M. Jouett in Feb'y. 1776 for two years, which time he served faithfully until about two months of his time, at which time I [illegible word] him a discharge by Consent of [illegible] Gen'l. [William] Woodford who commanded the Brigade he serv'd in

Given under my hand in Louisa this 16th of August 1780

Test John Henderson
Jn'o. Winston

R. Joüet Lt.
5th Reg't.

[two illegible words] appears to me that, the within William Anderson is entirely free from the Charge of being a [illegible word] by the Certificate of Lieut Jouett. his Capt. being at that time Dead

Wm White Cty Lt. [Louisa County Lieutenant]
16 August

[Several lines of accounts]

N[?] The reason the within Anderson did not get a proper discharge he was on command Virginia at the time the men who Enlisted with him were dischargd, & when I gave him his discharge I met him at Lee's burg [Leesburg] on his return to Camp

R. Joüett

[The following upside down at the bottom of the page:]

At a Meeting of the Field Officer of Gooch'd. [Goochland] County on Monday the 21st Aug't. 1780.

Wm. Anderson being apprehended as a Deserter from the Cont'l. Army to serve a division of s'd. County – and producing a discharge, it is juded sufficient, and he is discharged accordingly – By Order

Thos. T. [illegible] Clk.

State of Kentucky Barren County Sct on this 20th day of February 1820 [sic: 1821] personally appeared in the Barren County Court in open Court being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid (& made such by act of Assembly establishing County Courts in the Commonwealth of Kentucky) William Anderson aged 65 years, on the 13th March next, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following decleratation in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & 1st May 1820. That he said Anderson enlisted for the term of two years, in February 1776 in

the State of Virginia in the Company Commanded by Capt. Mathew Jouitt in the Regiment Commanded by Colo. Alexander McClanahan in the line of the [illegible word] of Virginia on Continental establishment and that he continued to serve in said Corps until about two months before the end of said two years, and that he was afterwards discharged from service as will more fully appear from his discharge attached to his original application. That he was in the Battles of Brandywine and German Town besides some skirmishes of little note and that he has no other evidence now in [his] power of his said Services, except his said Discharge [illegible] might he believes find some old soldiers [by] whom he could prove his services if it were required but [illegible] subject him to trouble which he is illy able to overcome. And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th 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 is to say nothing but wearing apparel.

The said Andersons occupation is that of a farmer but from age and weakness is unable to support himself and wife by farming – my family consists of my self my wife 60 years of age and a little grand Daughter between 13 and 15 years old and this affiant could not make out to live without the assistance of his son Robert Anderson, having had all his property sold as stated by John McFerran on the Original application and this affiant has been unable to accumulate any property since

NOTE: A document in the file states that Anderson died 14 Feb 1837.