

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sharp (Sharpe) S37383

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District of Kentucky, SS

On this 15th day of August 1818, before may the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the said district, personally appeared William Sharp aged fifty-eight 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 may 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 William Sharp enlisted in Caroline County in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Anthony New of the Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Matthews in March 1776 as he now thinks from the best of his recollection; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the summer of 1777 being about 18 months, when he was discharged from service in Caroline County, state of Virginia, that he was not in any battle and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands 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.

S/ Benjamin Johnson, Circuit Judge

S/ William Sharp, X his mark

State of Kentucky Fayette Circuit Sct. June Term 1820

Be it remembered that on the 22nd day of June 1820, William Sharpe made affidavit in open Court and produced a Schedule of his property amounting to \$42.50 agreeably to the act of Congress passed first of May 1820, concerning pensioners, which is ordered to be enclosed of record in the words and figures following:

District of Kentucky SS: Fayette Circuit:

On this 22nd day of June 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the said district and circuit of Fayette County, William Sharpe, aged 58 years a resident in Fayette County in said district, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows: he served 18 months in Captain Anthony New's company and Colonel Matthews' Regiment of the Virginia line in the year 1780 and 1781 and served as he now can recollect and was honorably discharged, And 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 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 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. Two feather beds worth \$30 or \$35, 12 or 13 chickens worth 6 ct. each, 5 in different chairs worth \$1.75, half dozen earthen plates worth \$1, half dozen spoons and one dish worth 75 cents, one pot and one oven \$3 – \$42.50.

I have no debts due me and am indebted something under \$30: I live on another man's land, I am unable to work owing to a dislocation of the right shoulder, which is permanent, my wife aged about forty, and three children make all my family, Nancy aged about twelve years, Benjamin nine years, and Sally about sixteen years, the latter is living generally with George Picketts, one of my neighbors.

S/ William Sharpe, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 15, 1818 for service as a private for one-year in the Virginia Continental line.]