

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sharpe (Sharp) S37384

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District of Kentucky

On this 7th of September 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Circuit Judges for the Commonwealth aforesaid personally appeared William Sharpe aged 63 years resident in Jessamine County and District aforesaid 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 William Sharpe enlisted in the year 1775 in the state of Virginia for two years in the company commanded by Captain Gustavus B. Wallace in the 3 Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonels Misser & Marshall [probably Thomas Marshall] in the Continental establishment and was a Sergeant in said company – that he served out his said two years and was Discharged at Fredericksburg by Captain Gustavus B. Wallace as appears by writing here produced. That he was in the Battles of York Island & White Plains & that he is in reduced circumstances in life and needs the assistance of his country for support and that he here produces all the evidence in his power of his said Services. Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Benj. Johnson, Circuit Judge

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October 10th 1775

This is to certify that William Sharp inlisted in my company in the third Virginia regiment And having served his two years and is entitled to Two hundred ahers [acres] of land from the younighted states [United States] given under my hand this first day of October 1777

S/ Gustavus B. Wallace

October 10th 1775
This is to certify that William Sharpe enlisted
in my company in the third virginia regiment
and having served his two years ~~and~~
~~the time~~ ~~and~~
is intitled to two hundred acres of land from
the younrighted states given under my hand this
15th day of October 1777 Gustavus B Wallace

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Schedule

State of Kentucky Jessamine County Sct.

Be it remembered that on the 15th day of January 1821 William Sharp made Affidavit in Open Court and produced a Schedule of his property, amounting to \$2, agreeable to an Act of Congress of 1st of May 1820 concerning Pensioners, which was ordered to be entered of record in the following words & figures to wit

District of Kentucky Jessamine County Sct.

On this 15th day of January 1821 Personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record, established as such by an act of the Legislature of Kentucky, in and for the County aforesaid, William Sharp aged 69 years resident in Jessamine 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 Enlisted in Captain Gustafson B Wallace's Company of the 3rd Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Mercer of the Virginia Continental line, and that the date of his Original Declaration was on the 7th day of September 1818, And the Number of his Pension Certificate is 6889. 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. "Schedule" That he has no land nor property of any kind except 2 pigs worth \$2.

S/ William Sharpe

That his Occupation was formally a House Carpenter which he was able to work – that from age, Rheumatic Pains, and the Piles, he is unable to labor in any way. That he has 3 children living with him to wit Nancy 38 years old, Polly 25 years old; Betsy 22 years old – And that Nancy his Eldest Daughter is delirious, and is unable to maintain herself, and the other 2 being of age, does

nothing, but maintain themselves, or is very little benefit to him: Sworn to and declared on the 15th day of January 1821.

S/ John Perry, Presiding Justice

This is to certify, that it appears from a list in this office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line as settled their accounts and received certificates for the balance of their full pay, according to an act of assembly, passed the November session 1781, directing the Auditors of Public Accounts to settle and adjust the pay and accounts of said Officers and Soldiers from the first January 1777 to 31st December 1781, (see Hening's Statutes at Large, vol. 10, p. 462,) that a settlement was made on the 1st day of November 1784 in the name of William Sharp as Sol. Cav. And evidence of the indebtedness of the State to him was £22.1.5 delivered to Jos. Norwood but as the original settlements or copies thereof or not to be found in this office, the term of service embraced therein cannot be stated.

Given under my hand at the First Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
20th day of April 1855

S/ G. W. Chilton
A. P. A.

[No Seal of Office]

[f p. 14: Power of attorney dated February 26, 1855 signed by Fanney Tyson and Elizabeth Oliver in which they state they are the children of William Sharp, a revolutionary war veteran.]

[f p. 4: On July 6, 1857 in Mercer County Kentucky, Elizabeth Oliver, formerly Elizabeth Sharp, aged 59 and a resident of Mercer County Kentucky filed an application in which she states she is the only surviving child and heir at law of William Sharp a private in the company commanded she believes by Captain Hungerford in the 15th Regiment commanded by Colonel Spotswood until the siege of York and afterwards by Colonel William Heith [William Heth]; that her father left a widow Lucy Sharp who died January one 1834; that her mother was married to William Sharp in Stafford County Virginia in 1785; that her mother's name prior to her marriage was Lucy Oliver; that her father died in Jessamine County Kentucky February 22, 1822. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 7th, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]