

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Tennell<sup>1</sup> S37485

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District of Kentucky: SS

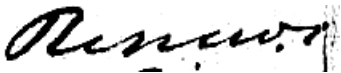
On this 29th day of July 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court for the said district, personally appeared George Tennell aged Sixty-two years, resident in Nelson County in the said district, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision 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 Tennille enlisted in 1776 for 18 months in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Fontleroy of the third Regiment [one or more indecipherable words] commanded by Colonel Baylor & then Colonel William Washington & then by Colonel White; that he continued to serve in the said Corps for 18 months when he enlisted, when he was discharged from service in Winchester 1783 State of Virginia, that he was in the battles of Cow Pens [Cowpens, January 17, 1781] Eutaws [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781], Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], [indecipherable word, looks like "Rennos"<sup>2</sup>] Ferry in South Carolina on the [indecipherable word or words<sup>3</sup>] River 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. This George Tennill [sic] is now a Pensioner of the U. States four (Ky) District.

S/ Benj. Johnson  
Circuit Judge

This man Enlisted for during the Revolution War in Colonel Washington troop of Horse & served until peace was made in 1783 [This note appears in the left hand margin in the same handwriting as the handwriting used to fill in the blanks on the form of the application. It is not clear where was intended to be inserted.]

Know all men by these presents that I George Tennell a Pensioner of the U. S. for the District of Kentucky do hereby replenish & release the Pension I am now drawing to take a fact from the time I received & am placed on the Pension list for the District of Kentucky under the act entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & Naval Service of the U. States in the Revolutionary War".

<sup>1</sup> BLWt206-100

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Witness my hand & seal at Lexington this 29th July 1818

Teste:

S/ Benj. Johnson, Judge &c.

S/ George Tennell {Seal}



[f p. 7: Deed of sale dated June 11, 1798 from George Tennell in which the veteran describes himself as late a Corporal or Sergeant in the First Regiment of Horse commanded by Colonel White of the Virginia Continental line and by which he conveyed his right to a 100 acre land grant which he is entitled to receive from the United States.]

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Kentucky Madison County Sct. Be it remembered that on the second day of April 1821 at Court holden in and for said County and being a Court of record personally appeared in said Court George Tennell aged 66 years resident in Madison County aforesaid, who being first sworn according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows – He served six years and nine months, most of the time in Washington's troop of horse of Virginia – and that he was discharged while in Captain John Watts Troop of horse: he has obtained a certificate of pension dated 21st day of April 1819 to commence the 29th of July 1818 and he solemnly swore that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed to wit, two bits worth \$40, one cow \$12 – spinning wheels \$12, six chairs three dollars, pewter nine dollars, one table two dollars, one plow and two hoes six dollars, castings four dollars, one ax two dollars, Flax worth six dollars, pails &c two dollars, making in all \$92 – (signed) George Tennell –

My occupation is a Carpenter but for years past I have been unable to see well enough to work at that business, my family consists of an infirm ~~wife~~ and feeble wife 67 years of age – one daughter about 17 years of age cripple and unable to do anything of consequence towards her support – one son who does not reside with me, but who has long since been afflicted with a white swelling, and another daughter between 20 & 30 who sometimes resides with me. Sworn to and declared on the second April 1821 in open Court before

S/ William Goodloe

S/ John Hawkins

S/ William Black, Judges

[Veteran was pensioned the rate of eight dollars per month commencing July 29, 1818 for seven years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]