

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Whaley S37532

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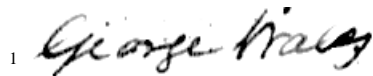
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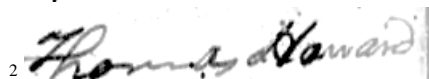
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State of Kentucky Sct.

On the 11th day of September 1818 before me the undersigned one of the circuit Judges for the Commonwealth aforesaid personally appeared William Whaley aged about 64 years resident in Harrison County in said State who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the 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 in the month of February or March in the year 1779 he enlisted for the term of one year & six months as a private soldier in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Payton Harrison [Peyton Harrison] who was afterwards transferred to the company commanded by Captain George Wales [<sup>1</sup> probably George Walls] & afterwards he was transferred to the company commanded by Captain Thomas Howard [<sup>2</sup> sic, Thomas Hord] & continued in that company until he was taken prisoner at Buford's defeat in the month of May 1780. That he received 13 wounds in Buford's defeat [May 29, 1780]<sup>3</sup> & was paroled by the British after he was taken prisoner & owing to his being rendered an invalid by his wound he never joined the Army again therefore never got any discharge. That when he was enlisted he was immediately appointed a Sergeant by Captain Harrison, and when he was transferred to the other companies he still retained the grade of Sergeant during the whole time he was in the Army. That he was once in a little skirmish on Santee River, before Buford's defeat but never was in any general battle. Captain Harrison's company belonged to the second Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Feebecker [Christian Febiger], but he believes that while he remained in Captain Wales's Company it was not attached to any Regiment. That Captain Howard's Company belonged to the 11th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Buford [Abraham Buford]. That both the second and eleventh Virginia Regiment belonged to the Virginia line on the Continental establishment. That he has no other evidence of his said services now in his power that from his reduced circumstances in life he stands in need of assistance of

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Thanks to Scott Miskimon, an avid Revolutionary War scholar currently writing a book on the Battle of the Waxhaws (a/k/a, Buford's Defeat), for pointing at that this officer's name was actually Thomas Hord who was himself wounded at the engagement.

<sup>3</sup> Buford's Defeat, Battle of Waxhaws, Buford's Massacre, <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/bufordsbg.htm> and [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_waxhaws.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_waxhaws.html)

his country for support.

Sworn to and declared before me this day and year aforesaid  
S/ John Trimble, Judge

At a Circuit Court held for the Circuit and County of Harrison in the State of Kentucky On the 13th day of September 1820 The following Statement and Schedule was produced and sworn to in open Court and ordered to be made a part of the record in the words and figures following to wit

State of Kentucky Harrison Circuit Sct.

On this the 13th day of September 1820 Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the Circuit aforesaid and so constituted by the law establishing said court William Whaley aged about sixty six years resident in Harrison County in said Circuit who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows to wit he Enlisted as a Sergeant in Loudon [Loudoun] County Virginia in February 1799 [sic, 1779] for one year and six months with Captain Peyton Harrison and served under Captain Thomas Howard [sic, Thomas Hord] 11th Virginia Regiment under Colonel A. Buford on Continental Establishment that he continued to serve until the year 1780 when he was taken Prisoner at Buford's defeat at a Place called the Warsaws [Waxhaws] in South Carolina at which Place he received 13 wounds he further states that he was Parolled by the British and never again was able to go into Service and therefore received no other Discharge he further states that his Original Declaration was made as he believes on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ 1818 and that his Pension Certificate is number 10.727 and said William Whaley further made Oath 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

Schedule to wit

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said Whaley further made oath that his family consisted of himself he further stated that he could not himself work owing to his being very infirm and blind and therefore could not contribute to his support. Given under my hand this 13th of September 1820.

S/ William Whaley, X his mark

Sworn to before me the undersigned one of the Circuit Judges of the Commonwealth of Kentucky this 13th day of September 1820

S/ W. Warren

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 11, 1818, for 18 months service as a Sergeant in the Virginia Continental line.]

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[Note: For the information relating to his Bounty Land grant from Virginia, see [William Crippin VAS62](#). That record indicates that he was granted 200 acres on June 21, 1785 for having volunteer to serve 'for the war.']