

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Lilliston S38141

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Virginia City of Williamsburg towit

On this 9 day of July 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia, personally appeared William Lilliston aged 62 years a resident in the County of Accomack in the said State who being 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 enlisted on the 14 February 1776 at Drummond Town in the County of Accomack under Captain Thomas Snead [Thomas Snead] to serve two years. That he was attached to the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col [Thomas] Fleming and served on the eastern Shore till the following winter when they were marched to the northward and joined the army at Morriston [sic: Morristown NJ]. That Col Fleming dying on the route [of small pox at Princeton, 30 Jan 1777] Col Matthews [George Mathews] succeeded to the command of the 9<sup>th</sup>. That while belonging to the northern army he was engaged in the battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] and the affair at Somerset Court House That he served in the said Corps or in the service of the United States untill the [illegible] Febry 1778 when he received his discharge at Valley forge from General Mulemburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] and returned to Virginia.

That he has no evidence of his services now in his power save a certificate of Gen'l Cropper [John Cropper (pension application W3781) found with the pension application of Samuel Russell S38344] who has been acquainted with him from his infancy and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support Sworn to before me the day & year aforesaid. James Semple

Commonwealth of Virginia

Accomack County SS.

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 1820 Personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record (the said Court proceeding according to the course of the Common law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a Record of its proceedings and having the power of fine & imprisonment) William Lilliston aged sixty five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. That he the said William enlisted as a Soldier to serve two years in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Snead in the 9<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment (on Continental establishment) commanded by Col Thomas Fleming that he served the said Two years and that a pension has heretofore been granted him under the act of Congress passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 the certificate of which is numbered 6875 and that the date of his original application was the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1818 and he also solemnly swears that I 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions 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 him 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. The said William further states on Oath that he has no trade but lives by manual labour, that he is a healthy man considering his age that his family consists of himself his wife Elizabeth who is about 48 years of age and an unhealthy woman and three children the eldest named Selly [possibly Sally] about 13 years of age and rather unhealthy the second is named Leah and is about 10 years old and is healthy and the third is named Asa and is about 7 years old and is a healthy child. It is ordered to be certified that it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in Value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$15.87.

A Schedule of William Lillistons property

1 safe 40 years old. ....	\$1.00
4 chairs. ....	50
1 Iron pott. ....	1.00
2 Spining wheels. ....	3.00
1 chest. ....	1.50
4 Pigs .....	5.00
7 chickens. ....	84
2 tubs & 1 Bucket. ....	40
1 Set Cups & Saucers. ....	13
1 Canoe. ....	<u>2.50</u>
	\$15.87

William Lilliston

NOTE: The pension certificate notes that Lilliston died 31 Jan 1830.