

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Nevill S38260

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State of Kentucky Barren County: SS

On this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1834 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County James Nevill a Resident of said County aged 92 years the first September last, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1741 in Prince William County Virginia. He entered the Service on Christmas in the year 1776, living then in Fauquier County which was taken off of Prince William after his birth, he does not recollect the exact times. On this Tour he joined the company of Captain John Shelton at Fauquier Courthouse. The Lieutenant was one \_\_\_ Day, given name not remembered. He does not now remember his other company Officers. The company at Fauquier Court House joined the Regiment of Colonel Martin Pickett. He does not now remember any other Officers. From Fauquier Court House he went to Noland's Ferry on the Potomac River. At Noland's ferry they took charge of the Hessian Prisoners which had been taken by Generals Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & Gates [Horatio Gates] in the North [at the Battle of Saratoga, October 7, 1777]. He was discharged at Tompkins for word receiving no written discharge. He then went home, having served in guarding Hessian prisoners one month as a private. For the above Service he volunteered.

After the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], the particular time after the battle not remembered, he joined Colonel William Edmonds at the red House in Prince William County, in the Company of Daniel Flurry, Lieutenant Thomas Watts, other Company officers not now remembered. The Culpeper Militia under Colonel James Barbour joined us at the Red House from the Red House he went to Frederick Town in Maryland, where he lay until Washington & his Army went into winter Quarters and he returned home, receiving a Discharge which he has now lost. On this Tour he served as a volunteer Private at least five weeks to the best of his recollection. He then moved to Kentucky with his family in the fall of 1779, and settled in Lincoln County.

In the summer of 1781 he joined a company commanded by Lieutenant John Carpenter at Carpenter's Station for the purpose of protecting the frontiers against the Indians. He served out as a Private at Carpenter's Station one month, being drafted for this service. He received no written Discharge, but just went home at the end of the month.

In the same summer he was Drafted and served as a Private one month at Astin's Station under Captain Samuel Astin, being no other Officers that he now remembers. His business here was to guard the Frontiers against the Indians – he went home at the end of the month without

receiving a written discharge.

In the Summer of 1782, under Captain John Wood he served one month as a private on the Wilderness Road from the Crab Orchard to the Cumberland mountains. His business here likewise was to keep off the Indians. He received no written Discharge. For these two tours, he was drafted & recollects having no Officers except those above mentioned.

In the month of August, as he thinks, 1782 under the command of Isaac Bleecher Captain, other Company officers not remembered, He joined Captain Ben Logan's [Benjamin Logan's] Regiment in Lincoln County, then went to Lexington, then to Bryant's Station [Bryan's Station], and went on until he met the Defeated Troops returning from the battle of the Blue Licks [August 19, 1782] not far from the Licks. He then in company with James Logan returned to Colonel John Logan's in Lincoln after some men there and with them returned to the Blue Licks where he assisted in Burying the Dead. The men were raised by Colonel John Logan who also went to the Blue Licks. He turned out for this Service at the command of Colonel Ben Logan who raised the Country upon the alarm of a reported attack upon Bryan's Station. After burying the dead he returned home, receiving no written Discharge. On this Tour he served three weeks, as near as he can now remember as a private.

In the fall of 1782, in the company commanded by Captain Isaac Bledsoe, Lieutenant Nathan Houston, other Company Officers not now remembered, he joined the Regiment of Colonel George Rogers Clark at Bryant's Station. From thence he went to the mouth of the Miami [River], and from thence went on to the French or New Chillicothe Towns, destroyed them & then returned home. Colonel Ben Logan & Colonel John Logan were all long. On this Tour he served at least one month as a private. From this Service for which he was drafted out of his Company, he received no written Discharge.

In answer to the Interrogatories scribe by the War Department he would say as follows, to the 1<sup>st</sup> & in order:

1<sup>st</sup> He was born in Prince William County Virginia on the first September 1741.

2. He has no Record of his age.

3. He lived in Fauquier County Virginia when first called into service, then in Lincoln County in what is now Kentucky.

4. He was sometimes a volunteer sometimes Drafted as above stated.

5. He would name Colonel Tom Marshall, Colonel Elias Edmonds, Colonel GR Clark, General John Nevill his brother.

6. He never received but one Discharge as is above set forth.

7. He names Ralph Petty, Samuel Anderson, John McFerran, James Cummins, Reuben Dale, John Bowles, &c He has no Documentary evidence & he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn & subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Samuel Anderson, JP

S/ James Nevill, X his mark

[Ralph Petty, a clergyman, and James Gassaway gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$22.88 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 20 days in the Virginia militia.]