

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Scott S38356

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State of Virginia Berkeley County to with

On the 9th day of September 1822 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for the said County William Scott Seventy-two years of age in April next Resident in said County 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 acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that the said William Scott enlisted in the County of Berkeley in the latter part of the summer 1777 as a private Soldier in the company commanded by Captain James Lucas of the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Lawson in the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the Service of the United States until April 1779 when he entered a Substitute in his place for during the war at Middlebrook in the Jerseys that he was engaged in the Battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] & some small skirmishing while the British were in Philadelphia that he has no other evidence now in his power of his Services except the declaration of Colonel David Hunter which is hereunto annexed and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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: The said Scott further declares that he is a wagon maker but from his consequent age and infirmity is unable to support himself without the assistance of the public or individuals he has no family nor never had any. Sworn to and declared to be true on the 9th day of December 1822 before the court aforesaid

Schedule

I have no property of any kind except a few wagon makers tools

S/ William Scott, X his mark

Berkeley County Sct.

Colonel David Hunter of said County this day personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in said County and made oath that he has known the within named William Scott for upwards of forty years that he has frequently been informed by different Revolutionary Officers that the said Scott served as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War and acquitted himself with honor – This fact in relation to the services of said Scott is a matter of notoriety in the County of Berkeley where he has resided ever since the affiant knew him. The

said Scott is now very old and helpless – Given under my hand and seal this 9th December 1832
S/ Benj. Comegys, JP

[This file also contains a document dated February 19, 1857 executed in Habersham County Georgia by Alexander Scott of said County and state in which he recites that he had previously appointed Solomon King as his attorney to receive arrears of pension due to "L. Col. William Scott or his heirs.". The document appears to be a revocation of that power of attorney. The relationship, if any of Alexander Scott to William Scott the subject of this file is not stated. It appears to me, however, that it is very likely that this document is in the wrong file since this veteran does not appear to have ever claimed to have served as an officer in the revolution.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing December 9, 1822, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]