

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Shrieves (Shreaves, Shrieve)¹ S38358 f19VA

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Virginia Randolph County Sct

At a Court held for the County of Randolph on the 25th day of May 1818

Present John Currence David Holder, Matthew Whitman, Andrew Crawford & Frederick Troutwine Esquires Gentlemen Justices

William Shrieves came into Court and filed the following Statement in writing, on oath, to wit,

Randolph County Sct.

William Shrieves States that Sometime in the year 1780 he enlisted being about 17 years of age as a private under Captain Henry Beakins [Henry Bedkins] in Loudoun County Virginia attached to Armongs [Charles Armand, Marquis de la Rouerie] Legion of Dragoons and served against the common enemy in Virginia, Maryland & Pennsylvania and remained attached to said Legion until the conclusion of the War with Great Britain and was regularly discharged that he sent his discharge to the Land Office of Virginia which was never returned to him that he has no other evidence of his said Services that previous to his Said enlistment he Served in the Militia at the capture of the British forces at Yourk [Yorktown, October 19, 1781] in Virginia, that from his reduced circumstances he is in need of the assistance of his Country for Support, that he is near about Fifty four years of age.

Thereupon it is ordered that it be Certified to his Excellency the Secretary of the War Department, that in the Opinion of the Court the said William Shrieves did perform the Services in said Statement Mentioned in the Manner therein set forth and that from his reduced Circumstances he Stands in need of the Assistance of his Country for Support [Certified by A. Earle, Clk RC [Archibald Earle, Clerk of Randolph County], as a copy taken from the records of Randolph County]

[p 13: On May 29, 1822 in Russell County Virginia, the veteran filed a schedule in compliance with the law of May 1, 1820. In this filing he lists the following property: "one cow one ax one hoe one handsaw 4 old planes one old plow one old saddle & bridle household furniture appraised worth \$20 one hundred acres of mountain land in possession not paid for and no title." The veteran signed this document with his mark. The filing does not contain the normal certification as to his current occupation and his family members living in his household.]

¹ BLWt2074-100

[p 16: letter dated October 3rd, 1835 in which the correspondent states that the veteran died in August 1835 in Randolph County survived by 2 children , James and Katharine, his wife having preceded him in death.]

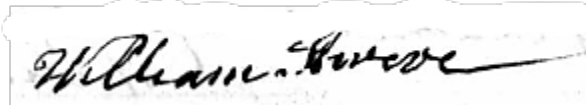
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State of Virginia County of Randolph

I William Shrieve aged 72 years upon oath testify and declare that I entered the service of the United States on the ___ day of ___ in the year 1780 for the term of during the war and that I served in the Company commanded by Captain Henry Bedkin in the Regiment No. ___ Commanded by Colonel Armand of the Continental line and was honorably discharged on ___ in the year 1783 from the Regiment commanded by said Colonel Armand.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to me on the part of the United States nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever.

S/ William Shreve



Sworn to before me Squire Bosworth a Justice of the Peace in and for the County & State aforesaid this 27th day of October 1834.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 25, 1818, for service rendered as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

Addendum to William Shrieves (Shreaves, Shrieve) S38358

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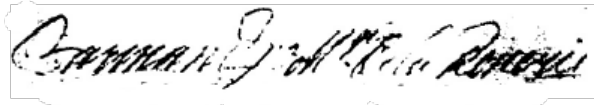
[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Shreeves, William.]

THIS is to certify that [illegible] in the First Partisan Legion, under my Command, has served [illegible] to this Day, is hereby discharged from the Service of the United States, in Pursuance of Orders received from the Commander in Chief, bearing Date the third instant.

I farther certify that [illegible] having been [illegible] of [illegible] is intituled by the Resolution of Congress, of the 13th February, 1779, to the Benefits that have been, or hereafter shall be, granted by the said State to the Noncommissioned Officers and Soldiers of the said Line.

Given under my Hand and Seal at York Town [PA], this fifteenth[?] Day of November, 1783.

Armand M's de la Rouerie Brigadier General



[Charles Armand BLWt2291-850] Entered in the Books of the Legion.

Attest

Godfried Swartz

Adjutant of the
Legion.

At a court held for Randolph County on this 25th November 1811
Came into court William Shreeves and made Oath that he never Received or claimed any Land
for his Services, as stated in the within certificate, while a soldier under General Armong, which
is ordered to be Certified Teste/ A. Earle Clk. RC