

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Twig S38449

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State of Kentucky, Whitley County Ct.

Be it remembered that on the 7 day of October 1828 in open Court, before the Honorable Joseph Eve sole and presiding Judge at a Court of Record made so by act of assembly possessed of unlimited jurisdiction & pursuing [sic, proceeding?] according to the course of the Common Law, Daniel Twig, resident citizen of Whitley County aged seventy-three the 11th of this month who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and 1st May 1820 that he the said Daniel Twig enlisted for the term of three years in the County of Sussex in the State of Delaware by __ Lamb [Gideon Lamb] who as he understood was in Continental establishment. The date of his enlistment he cannot state, but he recollects facts which will enable the department to ascertain the time. The first Battle he was in after his enlistment was at Stono [June 20, 1779] in the State of South Carolina, under the command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], in Colonel Armstrong's Regiment it being the 6th Regiment of the North Carolina line¹ on Continental establishment. His term of service expired a few days before the Battle of the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] in South Carolina, the American forces were commanded by General Nathanael Greene. In a few days after the battle in which he took part he was discharged Major McCree [sic, probably Griffith John McRee [or McRae]] who was officer of the day at Bacons Bridge in South Carolina. After he was enlisted by Colonel Lamb he was placed under the command of Captain __ Goodman [William Goodman] in Lamb's Regiment and remained under him about seven months when Captain Goodman's company with more of Lamb's Regiment were ordered to the South to fill up Colonel Armstrong's Regiment aforesaid – of the North Carolina line on Continental establishment. At the high Hills of Santee his company commanded by Captain Goodman joined to Colonel Armstrong's Regiment and he was placed in Captain __ Porterfield's [Dennis Porterfield's] company in Colonel Armstrong's Regiment aforesaid that he faithfully served out his term of service in said Regiment until he was discharged as aforesaid. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the pension roll of any State whatever. He further declares that he was informed that Colonel Lamb whose given name he believes was Abner or Gideon, belonged to the North Carolina line on Continental establishment: About 1819 as he now believes he made application for a pension in the Whitley Circuit Court aforesaid which was rejected for what cause he does not know After that he despaired of getting a pension & hoped to maintain himself, but old age & infirmity admonish him that it is a duty he owes to himself &

¹ Colonel James Armstrong of the 4th North Carolina Regiment is the only officer of that surname and rank known to have been at the battle of Stono Ferry

family to make this application. His discharge he many years since forwarded to the Secretary's Office for the Secretary of North Carolina for the purpose of getting his bounty land, that he is informed a warrant issued to him for 300 and odd acres in Tennessee, that he agreed with a gentlemen to give him one third of said land to obtain the warrant & survey the same, the land he never has seen but he is informed by men who have seen it that it is poor & of but little value not exceeding \$100 – but upon communication of the Clerks Office of Whitley Circuit Court aforesaid neither his original or a copy of the Schedule & peo [sic, ?]: can be found He expects the same was rejected on account of informality or the want of a minute detail of the facts: 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 other wise 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 and by me subscribed, to wit: The land aforesaid in Tennessee worth \$100, two mares, six cattle little & big worth \$25 & no more a few hogs worth \$10 & no more. On the 18th of March 1818 to the best of his recollection he had no property or a state except as home household plunder.

S/ Danl. Twig

That he enlisted as a fifer in Colonel Lamb's Regiment & served in that capacity till he joined Colonel Armstrong's Regiment when he was appointed drum Major – as he was told by his Colonel & so served in said Regiment till he was discharged as aforesaid. That he is by occupation a farmer but from old age & great corpulency he is illy able to support himself – his family consists of his wife about 28 years of age able to maintain herself, Jane about six years unable to support herself and two more younger, the older one blind.

James Rogers, John Rogers, Captain Burton Litton & Samuel Coxe reputable witnesses made oath in open Court, that they are well acquainted with Daniel Twig that from their personal knowledge they have no doubt his statement as to his estate & condition in life is correctly set forth in his petition & schedule. From his good reputation they have no doubt his statement as to his enlistment & term of service in the Continental service is true. That from information they have no doubt his statement about the value of his land is true.

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Be it remembered that on this 2nd day of February 1829 Daniel Twig a resident Citizen of the County aforesaid made oath in open Court for the County Court for the County aforesaid being a Court of Record made so by Act of Assembly of Kentucky before the Worshipful the Justices of the County aforesaid, to wit, William B Cankmon, John S. Laughlin, William Davis, Joshua Tye, Dwight Duncan & Preston C. Berry To the following facts in addition to his pension and schedule sworn to and pled in the Whitley Circuit Court before the Honorable Joseph Eve Circuit Judge on the 7th day of October 1828, as follows that he the said Twig was first enrolled in the company of Captain Benjamin Bailey under whom he served for nearly 3 years part of which time he was under a Mr. Lytle but his impression at this time is that said Lytle was (during the time he served under him) a Lieutenant to Bailey's Company. He further states that he served under Captain Goodman at the Battle of the Eutaughs [sic, Eutaw Springs] & from Bailey opposition [?] or attempt to continue him beyond his proper time of service thought probably he had been in some way transferred from Bailey to Goodman. The said Twig on his oath further declares that his household plunder consists of the following articles to wit two small bed[s] one

of which is composed of Turkey feathers two sheets and three bear [?] quilts and two blankets one small Kettle one oven one 4 gallon pot one port and two milch [sic, milk] piggans [sic, piggins] Churn and Washing tub Seven tin Cups Six Knives and forks one tin quart and one [indecipherable word] & chord one Linnon [sic, linen] wheel one pair Cotton Cards Two Small pots and two Skillets Scrap ware three Chairs Six Iron Spoons the whole of the above articles worth \$20.

Signed and sealed by the said Twig this second day of February 1829

S/ Daniel Twig, {Seal}



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daniel Twig". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing February 2, 1829, for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]