

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Welch S38461

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Virginia to wit

At a Court held for Hampshire County the 16th day of August 1819

Present

William Fox, Francis White, William Vann, Robert Sherrard and George Sharpe Gentlemen  
Justices

Isaac Welsh [sic] resident in the County of Hampshire in the State of Virginia aged sixty-five years came into Court and declared upon oath in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress of the United States passed 18th day of March 1818 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 at Fauquier court-house in Virginia with Lieutenant Alexander Keith and was attached to a company commanded by Captain Thomas Blackwell that it was on the 27th day of January (he thinks) 1776 he enlisted, that he belonged to the 10th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens], that he marched from Fauquier to the northward, that he was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth and at the taking of Stony Point that his Captain some time after the they had been in service resigned and he was left under the command of Lieutenant Evans, that after the battle of Brandywine the regiments were reduced & he was transferred to the 6th Virginia Regiment in which he continued to serve until he was discharged at Trenton New Jersey by General Frebecker [Christian Febiger] in the month of February 1779 and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services.

Ordered that it be certified that it appears to the satisfaction of the Court that the said Isaac Welsh did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy for the term of 3 years and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that the proceedings & testimony aforesaid be transmitted to the office of the Secretary of War pursuant to the directions of said act of Congress. In testimony whereof I John B White Clerk of the court aforesaid have hereunto subscribed my name & affix the seal of said County this 21st day of August 1819 and in the 44th year of this Commonwealth.

S/ John B. White

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On this 17th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court it being a Court of record Isaac Welch aged 66 years in October next resident in Hampshire County Virginia who being first duly

sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, that he enlisted at Fauquier Court House in Virginia on the 27th day of January 1776 with Lieutenant Alexander Keith in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Blackwell of the 10th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment, that he marched to a place called Middle Brook in the State of New Jersey, that he served in the 10th Virginia Regiment until after the battle of Brandywine when the regiments were reduced & he fell into the 6th Virginia Regiment in a company commanded by Lieutenant Evans Captain Blackwell having resigned, that said 10th Regiment was commanded first by Colonel Stephens and afterwards by Colonel John Green that they were all attached to General Weddon's [George Weedon's] Brigade (and that said 6th Regiment was commanded by said Green that he continued in said service until he was discharged at Trenton in the year 1779 about February. That he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Monmouth, Germantown and at the taking of Stoney Point as will appear more fully by reference to his original declaration filed in the War Office and dated the 21st day of August 1819 and upon which he has obtained a certificate of pension numbered 15315 and he also did solemnly swear that he 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 whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me 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 is That he owns 225 acres of pine ridge land worth \$200 which is very poor and rough and that he has barely been able to make a support for himself and family with all the economy he could make use of, that he has 2 horses worth together about \$90, that he has 3 cows and 3 calves worth altogether about \$30, 9 head of sheep & 5 shoats worth together about \$14. That he is occupation is that of a farmer, that in consequence of his aged constitution he is able to work but little, or attend to the management of his business; that the following is a list of the members of his family viz. Nancy Welsh my wife aged about 58 years, Sylvester Welsh and 28 or 9, Dempsey Welsh aged about 22 years, James Welsh aged about 20 years and the following his Daughters Lenora [? Lurena or Lucinda] aged about 22 years, Mary aged about 17 years, Nancy aged 15 years, Charity aged 12 years, That the said Nancy his wife has been under the hands of the Doctor all winter and is not able to contribute anything to her support; That the said Sylvester and Dempsey are able to support themselves, that the said some James is a tolerable hand to work on a farm and is the only one of his said sons who works for him, and that his said daughters are not able to contribute much towards their support.

I John B White Clerk of the County Court of Hampshire do certify that the foregoing oath and Schedule thereto annexed are truly copied from the record of said Court and I do further certify that it is the opinion of the court that the total amount of the value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$334.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 25th day of August 1820.

S/ John B. White

[p 30: On August 19, 1830 in Hampshire County Virginia, the veteran applied for the reinstatement of his pension under the 1818 act substantially restating his prior testimony

regarding his services in the revolutionary war. In this document he only list a maiden daughter 25 years of age as being a member of his family living with him at that time.]

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State of Virginia County of Hampshire SS

On this 31st day of December 1831 before me the subscriber a justice of the peace for the said County of Hampshire personally appeared Isaac Welch who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Blackwell in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Stephens & afterwards by Colonel Green in the Service of the United States: that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Virginia that he received a certificate of that fact under the signature and seal of the Secretary of War; which certificate was left with John B. White of Hominy [?] Virginia some time ago, when application was made by this affiant to be restored to the pension roll (from which his name has been dropped) and which certificate has been lost or mislaid so that the same cannot be found.

S/ Isaac Welch

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Isaac Welch". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Isaac Welch".

[fact in file: veteran died December 10, 1836.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 21, 1819 and dropped from the pension list October 26, 1820, restored February 4th, 1831. The veteran served 3 years as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Note: C. Leon Harris has found the following among the records posted at [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)

"These are to Certify that Isaac Walch Formerly a Soldier in the 6th Virginia Regiment has duly and faithfully serv'd the term of three years for which he was Inlisted, in Consequence of which and at his own request he is hereby discharged from any further service in the army of the [illegible] and permitted to return to his home [illegible word] and unmolested – to have [several illegible words] all his bounty pay Cloathing and [illegible word] of pay [several illegible words]

Given under my hand at headquarters[?]

this 31st Day of February [sic] 1780

Christian Febiger/ Colo Comd't"