

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Gill S38726

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Schedule

State of Tennessee, Wayne County Court: March Term 1823

On this 25th day of March 1823 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Wayne & State aforesaid enacted by Statute and of unlimited civil jurisdiction on the law side of said Court, George Gill aged seventy years on the 15th day of February 1823 resident in the County of Wayne and State of Tennessee 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 under William Brown Captain in the State of South Carolina, Camden District, now Chester County in the month of December 1775 and marched to Charleston in the month of April 1776 or thereabouts for the Term of eighteen months, that he served in the Company commanded by the said William Brown in the first Regiment of Riflemen commanded by Colonel Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] of the South Carolina Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the same Company & Regiment until he was discharged at Tuc haw [?]¹ Swamp on Santee River in said State of S. C. in the month of June the 15th day, being the June after the British first attacked Charleston, that he lost the said discharge forty years ago, that he was in the Battle of Middle towns in the Cherokee Nation when General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] fought the Indians there, that this is the first application for a pension, that he has no other testimony in his power except his oath at this time but that James McGaughey who lives in Giles County he hopes can prove something & he will endeavor to procure his testimony, that my family consists of myself aged as aforesaid a farmer by trade & am wholly unable to support myself, my Daughter Matty aged 18 years healthy & Slant [?] & my daughter Nancy aged 16 unhealthy & unable to support herself & my wife aged 60 years on the 11th day of May next healthy for her age and 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.

S/ George Gill, X his mark

1 set of smith tools

1 old horse 15 years old

1 mare 7 years old 14 hands high

1 small colt 7 Cows & 5 Calves

Tuc haw Swamp

1 Three year old steer & one heifer
1 sow & six pigs 1 chest 1 table
3 pots one small 1 shovel & one
 Barshear plow 2 Dishes 2 Bowls
2 Dutch ovens for making sugar
1 small 3 pair of gears

I owe one hundred dollars now due & have no money to pay it & cannot get it until I sell the said property to do so.

S/ George Gill, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court on the 25th day of March 1823 and ordered to be [word obliterated].

S/ Wm Barnett, Clerk

State of Tennessee, Giles County: Personally appeared James McGaughey before us John B. Armstrong & John Laird two acting Justices of the peace for the said County and being lawfully sworn deposed & saith that he was personally acquainted with George Gill now living in Wayne County of said State and ever since the commencement of the old revolutionary war and that sometime during the said war he Enlisted in the Continental service as a soldier for 18 months and served under Captain William Brown, at that time living in the State of South Carolina & in Colonel Sumter's Regiment, and the deponent further declares that he has been personally acquainted with the said George Gill ever since – Sworn & subscribed to before us this 2nd day of April 1823.

Attest: S/ John B. Armstrong, JP

S/ James McGaughey, SEAL



S/ John Laird, JP

[Facts in file: by letter dated Aug. 6, 1855, John McDaugal wrote to the Commissioner of Pensions asserting that Nancy Lynch is the daughter of George Gill and inquiring as to whether such status entitled her to any benefits; in this letter McDaugal asserts that Gill died Dec. 2, 1833 in Hardin County, Tenn; that his widow Jennit Gill died July 2, 1840 leaving Nancy the only surviving child.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 25, 1823, for service as a private for 18 months in the South Carolina Continental line.]