

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Tipper S39109

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District of West Tennessee, Bedford Circuit Court June Term 1823

On this 3rd day of June 1823 personally appeared in open court, in the Circuit Court of the County of Bedford before Robert Mack Esq. one [of] the Circuit judges of the State of Tennessee the same being a court of record William Tipper aged sixty-four years & resident in said County of Bedford 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 & of the 1st of May 1820, That he the said William Tipper, enlisted for the term of 12 months in the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain Dixon [Tilghman Dixon] in the Regiment commanded by Col. Dixon [probably Henry "Hal" Dixon] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in said corps until the expiration of 12 months from his enlistment: when he was discharged at Salisbury in North Carolina, that he was in the battle of the Eutaws [sic, Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781], & that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except his on oath, he having long ago lost his discharge. 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 whatever.

And said William Tipper further states that he is by occupation a farmer, but on account of his age, his total blindness, deafness & numerous other infirmities, he cannot procure necessary maintenance; but is compelled to look to the bounty of his government for a support. He is now living with his son Kitchen Tipper aged 35 years, who has a family & is a poor man – his wife having died since making his former declaration which was made in the County court of Bedford on the third day of January 1821,¹ which declaration was sent to the war department, & has never been returned.

Sworn to & declared in open court on this 3rd June 1823.

S/ Danl. McKisick, Clk

S/ William Tipper, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per annum commencing June 3, 1823, for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]

¹ There is no copy of this former application in this file.