

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Meshach Willis S39124

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State of Tennessee Maury County

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for the County aforesaid at their April Term of 1818

Present There Worships

James T. Lanford

Joseph Herndon

Lemuel Prewitt

John Miller

John Mathews

Thursday April the 23rd 1818. This day came into open Court Meshach Willis Senior and after being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God Depoeth and saith that he served as a Sergeant in the Revolutionary War against the Common enemy of this Country three years. That he enlisted the 3rd day of February 1777 under Captain Jesse Walton in the 2nd Battalion the Officer commanding the said Battalion was by the name of Mosby his Christian name I have forgotten, but the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Stirk ¹ of the State of Georgia, Captain Jesse Walton resigned early after I entered the service the company was then commanded by Captain Edward Wood. I was discharged the 3rd day of February 1780 -- by Colonel Joseph Bonnel the Officers under I more immediately served being out of the Army. The Brigade was of the Continental line, and I was commanded by General Elbert of the State of Georgia -- and this Deponent further Depoeth and saith that from his indigent circumstances he feels it his duty to avail himself of the benefit thus offered him by a liberal Public, and that this Deponent has no evidence to offer in support of his claim, none of those who served with [him] being in this country, so far as his knowledge extends.

S/ Meshach Willis, Senior

[attested by Joseph B. Porter, clerk of the court April 23rd, 1818]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing 23rd, 1818 for service in the Georgia line during the revolution.]

¹ Probably John Stirk, possibly Samuel Stirk