

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Patrick Welsh S40668

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State of Pennsylvania SS


On the third day of April A.D. 1818 before me Richard Peters Judge of the district Court of the United States in and for the Pennsylvania district personally appeared Patrick Welsh who being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God deposes and declares that during the War of the Revolution he served as a soldier in the Continental Army against the common enemy, that on the 17th day of December 1776, he enlisted as a private in Captain Peter Brinn Bruen's [sic, Peter Bryan Bruin's] company belonging to the 11th Virginia Regiment of Infantry of the United States commanded by Colonel Morgan [Daniel Morgan], that he remained with said company for two years and upwards, that Colonel Morgan was appointed to a Regiment of Riflemen when Lieutenant Colonel Fiebuger [sic, Christian Febiger] took command of the Regiment that on Lieutenant Colonel Fiebuger's promotion to the command of the 2nd Virginia Regiment in the service of the United States deponent was transferred in the said Regiment and served in Captain ___ company – deponent continued in the service of the United States in said Regiment until discharged on the 10th of February 1782 during which period deponent was present and took part in the battles of Brandywine, Monmouth and Stoney Point – that in consequence of infirmities and diseases incurred during the course of his service as well as from old age he is now reduced to circumstances of great indigence and distress and in need of assistance from his Country for support.

And this Deponent further declares that he is at present and has been for upwards of 20 years a resident citizen of the state of Pennsylvania and that he does not at present receive and never has received or been allowed any Pension by the laws of the United States.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 3rd day of April 1818

S/ Richard Peters

S/ Patrick Welsh



District Court of the United States in and for the Easton District of Pennsylvania Sct.

On the eighth day of September 1820 personally appeared in the said District Court of the United States, the said Court being a Court of Record, having a Clerk, aged Seal and keeping a Record of its proceedings, Patrick Welch, aged seventy-three years, residing in Philadelphia who being first duly sworn in open Court, according to Law, on his Oath declares, that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows, viz.

In the 11th & 2nd Virginia Regiment's under the command of Colonel Febiger – In

Company Commanded by Captain Gamble – Date of Original Declaration 3rd April 1818.
Number of Pension Certificate 3921.

And I the said Patrick Welsh do further 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 in any manner whatever 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

Sworn to and declared in open Court on the 8th day of September 1820

S/ D. Caldwell, Clk Dist. US

S/ Patrick Welsh

Schedule of the Property of Patrick Welsh

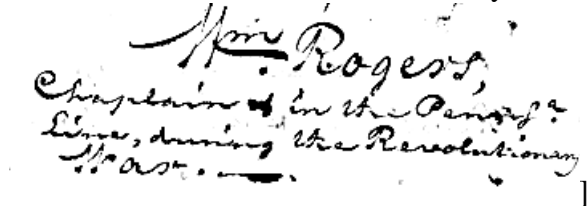
I have no Property of any Description whatever: and by Occupation a Coach Painter, but have not been able to work for the last 7 years. I have no children and being severely afflicted with Rheumatism and bad eyesight am unable to support myself without the Assistance of my Country.

Sworn to et supra

S/ Patrick Welsh

S/ D. Caldwell, Clk.

[fn p. 10-11: letter from William Rogers, chaplain of the Pennsylvania Continental line during the revolutionary war, recommending Patrick Welsh as a subject of charity and stating that he knew him in the revolution in the autumn of 1780 he married said Welsh to "an industrious woman of the name of Catherine Mary [could be Catherine May]...."



William Rogers,
Chaplain of the Pennsylvania
Line, during the Revolutionary
War.

[fn p. 12]

This is to certify that Patrick Welch formerly of my Regiment Enlisted into the Virginia Line on the 17 day of December 76 – his first Enlistment expired on the 17 day of December 1779 he was promoted to a Sergeant and reenlisted for 18 months for John Tues Devition in Spotsylvania that Term being Expired he is at his own request discharged from any further service in the Army of the United States and permitted to pass and repassed free and unmolested to within the bounds of those states or their friends and allies he having received his Bounty pay and Clothing and Deficiency of pay and Clothing except such as is specified on the back hereof he has served under my immediate command since his first Enlistment and upwards of 3 years attached to my person During which time he behaved himself as a brave and Orderly Soldier faithfull honest and industrious Man and as such I recommend to the attention of every Good Man.

Given at Cumberland Old Court house this 10 day of February 1782

S/ Christian Febiger, Colonel Comdt.

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This is to certify that Patrick Welch formerly of
 my regiment Enlisted into the Army here in
 the 17th day of Dec^r 1776 his first Enlistment expired
 on the 17th day of December 1777 he was promoted
 to a Sergeant and continued for 18 Months for
 John Purr's Division in Pennsylvania that Year
 being Expired he is at his own Request discharged
 from any further services in the Army of
 the United States presented to pay and wages
 due and Remitted to the State the balance
 of those States or their friends and Allies
 who having received his Monthly pay and
 Clothing and Deficiency of pay and Clothing
 Except such as is specified on the back hereof
 has been served under my immediate command
 since his first Enlistment and upwards
 of three years Attached to my person
 During which time he behaved himself
 as a brave and Obedient Soldier faithful
 honest and industrious ~~Man~~ Man and as
 such I recommend to the Attention of your
 Honor
 James M. Drummond Lt Col
 Grenville this 10 day of
 February 1782
 (Copy -)

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 3, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to Patrick Welsh S40668

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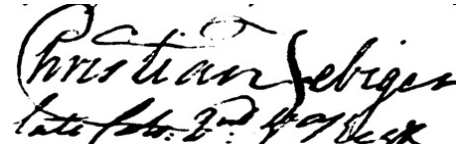
[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Welch, Patrick.]

Patrick Welch late a Serjeant of the Virg'a Cont'l line inlisted for three years, which term he faithfully served/ Certif'd Jan'y 24th 1784

Christian Febiger [VAS675]

late Colo. 2nd V'a Reg't

Del[ivere]d Colo Febiger



Christian Febiger
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