

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Whipple S41325

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In Hanover County Court June 24th 1818

This day William Whipple personally appeared in open Court and made oath to the following declaration to wit: That he the said William Whipple is a native born Citizen of the United States and a resident of the County of Hanover and State of Virginia, that he enlisted in the year 1780 in the Continental Army under Captain Benjamin Timberlake and was commanded by Colonel Taylor in the Virginia line on Continental establishment, that he served for the term of eighteen months and was duly discharged at Charlottesville, Virginia, which said discharge is now lost: The said William Whipple further maketh oath that his circumstances are so reduced as actually to require the aid and assistance of his Government for his support and maintenance.

Benjamin Timberlake made oath that the said William Whipple did enlist in the year 1780 and remained in the Army 18 months and that his circumstances are such as to require the assistance of his country for his support.

Hector Davis also made oath that the said William Whipple is in circumstances as to require the assistance of his Country for his support.

Virginia, Hanover County, to wit, I William Pollard Clerk of the Court of said County do hereby certify that the above transcript is a true copy of the records of said County Court of Hanover. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County the 26 day of June 1818.

S/ William Pollard

On this 27th day of December 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Hanover William Whipple aged sixty-two years a resident of the said County in the district of Virginia who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, that he enlisted in the year 1780 in the Continental Army under Captain Benjamin Timberlake and was commanded by Colonel Taylor in the Virginia line on Continental establishment, that he served for the term of eighteen months and was duly discharged at Charlottesville in Virginia which discharge is now lost that the date of his original declaration is the 24th day of June 1818 and the number of his pension certificate is ___ 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 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, to wit, two Hoes, two axes, and a little household furniture, that he is a farmer by trade, but is unable to do much labor that he has a wife between fifty & sixty years of age, that he has four daughters, the oldest of whom is twenty-three years of age & the youngest thirteen years of age and that he stands in need of assistance of his Country for support.

S/ Wm Whipple, X his mark

Sworn to before the County Court of Hanover on the 27th day of December 1820

S/ Jesse Wane

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 24, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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Addendum to William Whipple S41325

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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To the Governor & Council of Virginia.

The petition of William Whipple of Hanover County humbly shews, that he was a private of Infantry in the Continental Army of the Revolution between three and four years, that he enlisted under Captain Timberlake and served the term of his enlistment and his discharge has either been lost or mislaid, that he has never drawn his bounty in land, nor did he know he was entitled to such bounty until he was apprised of his right to such bounty in May or June last, Your Petitioner asks of the Executive that they will direct the Register of the land office to issue to him a Warrant for the quantity of land allowed a private for three years service, & hopes the papers herewith forwarded will be deemed sufficient, but hopes he may be allowed to withdraw the evidences of his pension. & he will pray &c &c.

Teste/ Thomas Underwood Bowler Whipple

William hisXmark Whipple

[13 November 1829]

To the Governor and Council of Virginia

The Petition of Bowler Whipple, John Whipple, (sons), Frances, Nancy, Virginia and America Whipple (daughters) all children of Wm. Whipple deceased of Hanover County, Represents, That Wm Whipple was as is represented in his petition of the 13 Nov'r. 1829 which was sworn to by him, a private who enlisted under Captain Benjamin Timberlake in the War of the Revolution on Continental Establishment and served under Cap. Timberlake as is stated in the petition refered to, which is prayed to be taken as evidence in support of this application for his land bounty and which he never got. The said Wm. Whipple decd was on the pention list, and received from the U. States Government a pention for many years before, and until he died. Our father served as he has sworn upwards of three years, and his petition would have been presented at the time it was written, but a council could not be had in time, as the Act of Congress allowing time for granting land bounties expired about the [blankl] day of Nov. 1829. You are requested to direct a Warrant to issue in our names for the said bounty.

22 March 1833

Bowler Whipple