

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Williams S41348

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Virginia

At a Court held for Albemarle County the 6th day of April 1819

John Williams a resident of the County of our Morrow, aged sixty-five years, personally appeared in Court and being first duly sworn according to law upon oath the following declaration in order to obtain the provision may by the late 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." That he the said John Williams enlisted in Brunswick County in the State of Virginia in the month of June in the year 1778 in a company commanded by Captain Joseph Overton. That he continued to serve in that said Corps or in the service of the United States during the War, when he was honorably discharged at Williamsburg in the State of Virginia that he was in the battles of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], capture of Corn Wallis [Cornwallis], that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of his Country's assistance for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said service. Whereupon it is ordered that it be certified to the Honorable Secretary of the War Department that it appeared to the satisfaction of the Court, that the said John Williams did serve in the revolutionary war against the common [enemy], as stated in the preceding declaration for the term therein stated on the Continental establishment that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of his Country's assistance for support & that the testimony & proceeding herewith when & head be also transmitted to the said Secretary of War:

In testimony whereof I Alexander Garrett Clerk of the County court of our wall have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of my office this 7th day of April 1819 & the 43rd year of the Commonwealth.

S/ Alex Garritt, Clk

Virginia

Albemarle County to wit,

This day John Williams of the said County of Albemarle personally appeared before me Archibald Stuart Judge of the 8th Judicial District in the said State of Virginia (of which District the said County of Albemarle forms a part) & one of the Judges of the General Court in this State aforesaid, – & having been duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, saith that in the month of June in the year 1778, he enlisted for during the War in Captain John Overton's Company, tenth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment; – That he continued to serve in the Army during the War, – was in the Battles of Guilford Court-House & Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] & at the Siege of York & capture of Cornwallis, & at the close of the war was honorably discharged at Williamsburg in the State aforesaid, – which discharge he has

accidentally lost. The said Affiant further saith that he is now 65 years of Age – infirm & in very reduced circumstances. That he has no pension from the Government of the United States, & that he stands in need of the aid of said Government for his support.

Given under my hand this 12th day of October 1819

S/ Arch. Stuart

[There is an on attested note in the file that indicates that John Williams 2nd died 13 July 1824.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 7th, 1819, for 5 years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]