

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Will Lytle (William Litle) ¹ S46228

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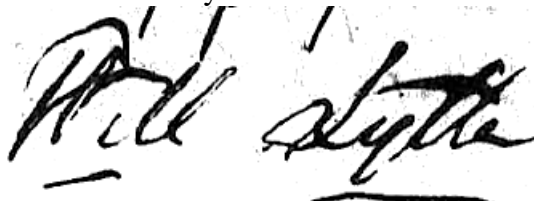
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The Declaration of William Lytle a Captain in the Army of the Revolution.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an act entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers & soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th of May 1828, I, William Lytle of the neighborhood of Murfreesboro in the County of Rutherford in the State of Tennessee (now on a visit at Nashville in the County of Davidson & State aforesaid) do hereby declare that I was an officer of the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution and served as such from the month of April 1776 until the end of the war, at which period (the end of the war) I was a Captain in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line.

I also declare that I afterwards received a certificate (Commonly called a commutation certificate) for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay which sum was offered by a resolve of Congress on the 22nd of March 1783, instead of the half pay for life to which, I was entitled under the resolve of Congress of the 21st of October 1780. Witness my hand this 16th day of July 1828.

S/ Will Lytle²



Before me a Justice of the Peace in the County of Davidson, in the State of Tennessee, personally appeared this day John Mehring, Esquire, District Judge of the United States for the District of West Tennessee and William Lytle Esquire a Justice of the peace for Davidson County aforesaid (and nephew of Captain William Lytle) both of the County of Davidson aforesaid who did several he makes oath, that William Lytle by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed is generally reputed & believed to have been an officer in the Army of the Revolution in the manner as therein stated. They both further maketh oath that they knew him personally during the war of the revolution and have known him ever since and they affirm to his identity.

Witness my hand this 16th day of July 1828

S/ Stephen Cantrell, JP

Honorable Richard Rush

Sir: Nashville July 17th, 1828

At the request of my father-in-law Captain William Lytle who is too old and infirm to write himself, I enclose you his declaration as an officer of the Army of the Revolution.

¹ BLWt1312-300 Capt. Issued June 10, 1792, to William Litle No papers

² See the file of [Breton \(Britton\) George S38725](#) in which William Lytle signed his name "Wm Litle."

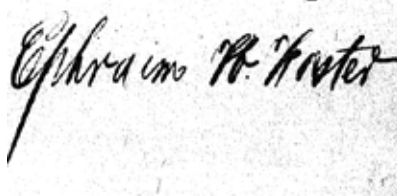
In preparing the declaration I have endeavored to pursue the forms published at your department and beg leave to add that if his proof is not considered sufficient, he can make it complete by the evidence of Colonel William Polk of North Carolina and Captain William Hadley both of whom served with him through the war.

He requested me to add and has especial manner, that he sets a high value on his commission (which is also enclosed) and begs that you will retain it until Congress meets next winter when it can be placed in the hand of our Representative Colonel Bell.

Please address him at "Murfreesboro Tennessee"

I have the honor to be your obedient servant

S/ Ephraim H. Foster

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ephraim H. Foster". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with a prominent initial 'E'.

[the commission is not in the file]