

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Young S4742

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State of Tennessee, Perry County

On the 23 day of October 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Peace of Perry County Court now sitting William Young a resident of Perry County the State of Tennessee aged about eighty nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as hereinafter stated - That her entered the service as a Lieutenant in a militia company commanded by Captain Lewis Bobo in the district of Ninety Six in the State of South Carolina and belonged to Colonel Thomas Brandon Regiment & that Andrew Williamson was their Brigadier General in the year 1776 to the best of his recollection. That he was marched under the said Captain Lewis to Ellis fort where they met Col. Brandon & two other companies, one commanded by Captain Gordon [probably Gavin Gordon, possibly Moses Gordon], the other by Captain Lisle [probably John Lisle]. That they marched from thence tot he Cherokee Nation to a place called Keowee. There we joined our General Andrew Williamson's Brigade -from thence marched up into the nation met the Indians & defeated them. We were to have met at or near where we had skirmish with the Indians Col. Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] & his troops from North Carolina but did not meet them till we had defeated the Indians & then this lieutenant was discharged having served nine months at this time.

He further states that after he returned home Captain Bobo turned Tory & was broke of his commission & that he, this declarant, was elected Captain of the company in his place and that his commissions both as Captain and Lieutenant were signed by Gov. Rutledge [John Rutherford] of South Carolina. That he was again ordered out & marched from the district of Ninety Six to the siege of Savannah about the middle of Sept. 1779 [September 16-October 18, 1779] under the command of Col. Thomas Brandon who was his Col. while he had the command of a Captain in said Regiment & Genl. Williamson was the Brigadier, Gen. Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] commanded the Americans, Count D'Estaing the French & the allied troops made a charge on the British redoubts & after being exposed to the fire of the enemy for sometime were repulsed with great loss & the declarant was in the siege & also in the battle of the same. That Maj. Daniel Williams of North Carolina of the continental service was well acquainted with him as was also Col. Marion [Francis Marion] in the regular service. That during this time her served two months as Captain of the company.

That about two months after his return home he was again ordered with his company to range the frontier & continued in this service till the British took the Town of Ninety Six at which time he was in the battle under Col. Brandon. That afterwards Brigadier Williamson taking protection under the British & being turned out Genl. Andrew Pickens took command of the troops or over the brigade to which he belonged. That during this time he served seven weeks as Captain of the company. That about two months afterwards he was ordered to take the command of a Blockhouse called Brandon's Blockhouse on fair forest creek [Fairforest Creek], which he did as Captain and continued there until peace was made & during this time served eighteen months.

That he has no documentary evidence to which he can refer nor does he know of any living individual (except the testimony of Crawford Goodman which is hereto annexed) by whose evidence he can procure who can testify to his service. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or amenity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

1. Where & in what year were you born?

I was born in York County Pennsylvania in the year 1744 the 15 of October.

2. Have you any record of your age?

I have only my age in my own Bible transcribed from my father's bible when I was about 24 years of age & which I believe is correct.

3. Where were you living when called into the service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war & where do you live now?

In South Carolina in Ninety six district. From South Carolina I moved to East Tennessee about the year 1807, from there to Dixon County Tennessee & from there to Perry County where now live.

4. How were you called into the service; were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, if so a substitute for whom?

I was called into the service always by being drafted.

5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such continental & militia regiments as you can recollect & the circumstances of you service.

I have no recollection at this late period of time of the names of the officers connected with the regiments other than those of Captains Gordon & Lisle, Col. Brandon, Genl. Williamson, Genl. Lincoln, Count D'Estaing, Maj. Williams, Col. Marion, Gen. Pickens & Gen. Green the commander in chief.

6. Did you receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it signed & what has become of it?

I received discharges signed by Col. Brandon but they are all lost or mislaid.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood & who can testify to your character for veracity, good behavior & your services as a soldier of the revolution.

I refer to Jeremiah Wood, Esqr. & Fanny Stanley, there being no other person in my neighborhood to whom I can refer who can testify as to my veracity and to the belief as to my revolutionary service.

S/ William Young, "X" his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court  
Test: Jesse Taylor, Clerk

We Jeremiah Wood resident of Perry County State of Tennessee & Fanny Stanly also a resident of Perry County State of Tennessee hereby certify that we are well acquainted with William Young who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration and that we believe him to be eighty-nine years of age & that he is reputed to be & so believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution & that we concur in that opinion.

S/ Jeremiah Wood

S/ F. Stanley

Sworn to & subscribed this day & year aforesaid in open Court.

Test: Jesse Taylor

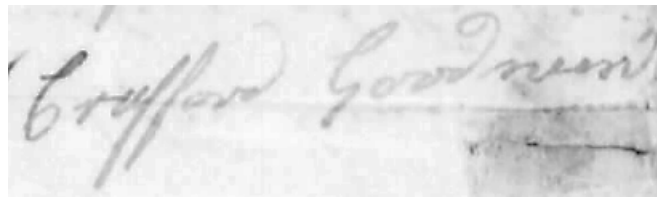
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State of Tennessee Pary [Perry] County

This day came Crafford Goodwin before me E. Hooper one of the acting Justis [Justices] of the peace in and for said County and maid [made] oath in due form and says on his oath that Richard Bryant [indecipherable interlineation] Sworn before me says that he sarved [served] to Towers [tours] of Duty under Captain William Young in the Revolution war in South Carolina under Cornel [Colonel] Thomas Brandom [Thomas Brandon] and says that he was a tru [true] frend [friend] to Country. I do Certyfy [certify] that I was acquainted with Captain William Young in the time of the ware [war] and said Young take a man out of Jail and hang him By jenerel [general] orders. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August 1833

S/ E. Hooper, JP

S/ Crafford Goodman [Crawford Goodman]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Crafford Goodman", written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The signature is written over a faint horizontal line.

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State of Tennessee. County: A Declaration Supplementary to a declaration made by William Young on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 1833 in Order to Obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

This declarant would further state that his Commissions for Lieutenant & Captain has both been lost long since or mislaid he does not know how.

This declarant further states that he was ordered to take command of Brandon's Blockhouse by Colonel Brandon that he was drafted as his answer is to the 4<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory but will here say that his Term of service had long expired before he left the Blockhouse where he had command but that as he had sent his family away from home to the Whig settlements & being determined to serve his Country so long as was necessary he at the request of his Colonel who had stationed him they are continued to serve to the end of the war & did here serve the full term & time of Eighteen Months – At the end of which peace was made when he this declarant found himself without either money or anything else but his land & it occupied by a Tory as all

