

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Vandiver (Vandever) S6308

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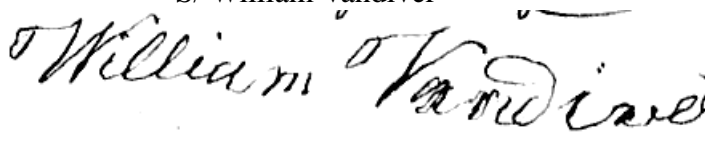
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State of Virginia Hampshire County: to wit

On this 29 day of January 1833 personally appeared in open court before the County Court of Hampshire being a Court of unlimited Jurisdiction in all cases of law and equity now sitting William Vandever [sic] a resident in the said County of Hampshire aged 71 years the 18th day of March next, 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 about the first day of May 1781 he was drafted into the service of the United States in the revolutionary war in the militia of Hampshire County Virginia in a company commanded by Major John Higgins, they marched to Richmond Virginia that after remaining at Richmond for some time they were detailed to guard the baggage and marched for several days until they came to a place on the banks of the Pamunkey [River] and soon after we were discharged. After my return home I was again drafted to go against Indians and marched under Colonel Neville and served out my term of service. I served altogether at least six months, but my memory from age and disease has been so much impaired that I cannot recollect all the circumstances of my service. I am now laboring under the effects of paralysis. I cannot recollect the names of any of the regiments of Continental or militia establishments or of any of the officers except a Captain Hornback or some such name. That he has no other evidence of his service than the two discharges which are herewith exhibited.

He hereby are relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ William Vandiver

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Vandiver". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "S/ William Vandiver".

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

Questions propounded to the applicant

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born on Shenandoah River in Frederick County Virginia in the year 1762

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer I have, in a Bible at home

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer all the time in the County of Hampshire

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a

substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer This question is answered in my declaration

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer This question is answered as well as I can answer it in my declaration

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer I received two discharges one from Captain Anderson and one from Colonel Neville both of which are herewith filed

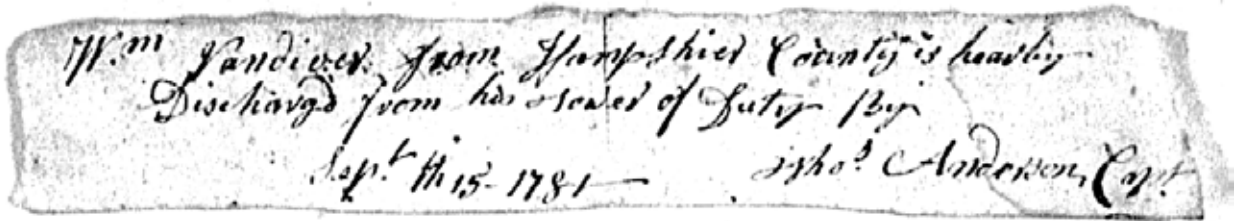
7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer John Vann, John Penn, Thomas Welch & all who know me as to my veracity as to my services Samuel Vandiver

[Jesse Monroe, a clergyman and Samuel Vandiver gave the standard supporting affidavit.

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Wm Vandiver from Hampshire County is hereby Discharged from his Tower of Duty By  
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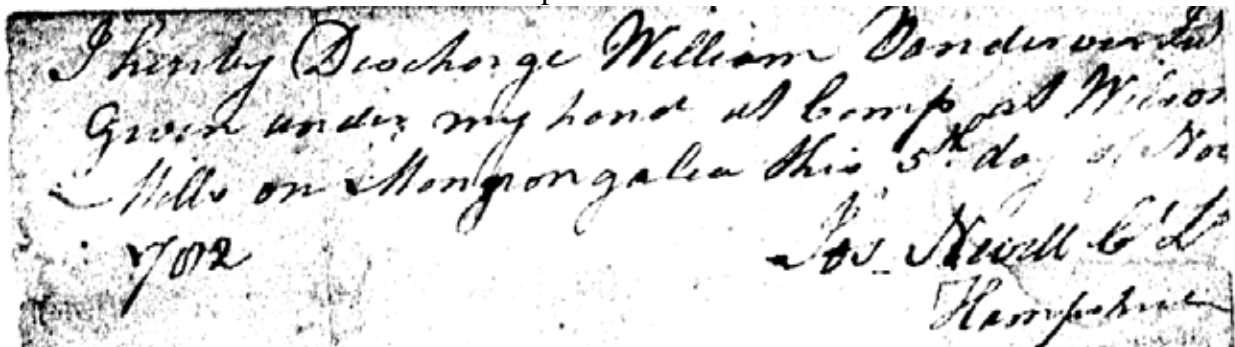
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I hereby Discharge William Vondervour Ju [?]

Given under my hand at Camp at Wilson Mills on Monongahela this 5th day of November 1782

Jos Nevill Cl Lt

Hampshire



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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]