

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Badgett (Badget) <sup>1</sup> S6552

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State of North Carolina, County of Caswell: Superior Court of Law Fall Term 1832

On this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November A. D. 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Superior Court of Law, now Sitting in and for the County and State aforesaid, William Badgett, a resident of the County of Caswell, and State of North Carolina, aged Seventy years on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July last, 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 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, to wit, sometime about the last of October 1778, I volunteered in the County of Granville State of North Carolina in a Militia company commanded by Captain Richard Taylor, for the term of five months, we were ordered to Hillsboro in this State, where we arrived about the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November following, having Joined at that place a number of troops raised to march to the relief of South Carolina and Georgia. At Hillsboro the company to which I belonged, was placed under the command of Colonel Saunders [James Saunders] who commanded a Regiment of Militia. From this place we were ordered to march to Salisbury in this State, and marched in company with another Regiment commanded by Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle] a Continental officer, though I believe the troops he commanded were not Regulars. Having arrived within a few miles of Salisbury, I was taken Sick, and was unable to proceed any farther, our troops having continued their march, I was left behind, with orders to Join the Army as soon as I was able, but having continued Sick I was unable to do so, and about the middle of February following I was carried home by one of my uncles who came after me, having been so reduced by sickness, that I had to be carried in a Cart on a bed. In this tour I was out about three and a half months, and having been unable to Join the Army again, I received no discharge.

About the first of February 1781, I volunteered for the term of three months, in the County of Granville in this State, in a Militia company commanded by Captain Harrison [Richard Harrison], and joined several companies of Militia commanded by Colonel Taylor [Joseph Taylor], at a place called Harrisburg in Granville, where we were placed under the command of General Butler [John Butler]; we were Joined in a few days afterwards by General Eaton, who commanded a Brigade of Militia. We were shortly after marched to a place called High Rock on Haw River, where we found the Army commanded by General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. We then marched in the direction of Guilford Court House and on the 15<sup>th</sup> of March 1781, I was in the Battle of Guilford. After the battle we were marched to the old Iron Works [Troublesome Iron Works] in Rockingham County, where we remained a short time, from there we marched to Ramsay's Mills on Deep River, from which place we marched to a place called Abbanathie [?] in Wake County, where I was discharged on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1781. My discharge I now have in my possession, signed by Ensign James Allison, who was Ensign of the company in which I then served. Sometime in the Spring of 1782 (the precise time or month, I do not

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now remember) I was drafted in a Militia company for three months in the County of Granville, Captain Gooch [Gideon Gooch] having command of the company, we were marched to Hillsboro in this State, and the General Assembly of North Carolina then being in Session, we were directed to remain there as a guard, with several other companies, which had been called out for the same purpose. I was discharged in about six weeks after being called into Service as it was not necessary as was believed, to keep the troops stationed there for a longer time. My discharge which I received this tour, was signed by Captain Gooch and which I have since lost or mislaid. In all of the above tours I was out about eight months altogether. I was born in the County of Granville, North Carolina, on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1762. My age is recorded in my father's old family Bible, which is now in my possession at home. I was living in the County of Granville when first called into service and continued to live there until 1783. I then removed to Surry County in this State, where I resided about one year, I then returned to Granville where I lived until 1807, in which year I removed to Caswell County North Carolina, where I have continued to reside until this time. I am known to Henry Howard, Abner Miles & many others in my neighborhood who can testify as to my character for veracity, and their belief of my services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

He hereby 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.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Badgett



Interrogatory by the Court: Who commanded the Brigade in which you served at the battle of Guilford? & with whom did you marched to the old Iron Works? Answer: General Butler commanded the Brigade of militia in which I served, and I fell in with the regulars & marched with them to the old iron works.

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Personally appeared in open Court on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November A.D. 1832, Peter Badgett a resident of the County of Caswell and State of North Carolina who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that he was living with William advocate who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration when he was first called into service in the Revolutionary War. About the last of October 1778, he entered the Militia Service with the said William Badgett for a tour of 5 months in the County of Granville North Carolina that sometime thereafter, the said William Badgett was taken sick near Salisbury, and was unable to proceed with the Army; this affiant having been directed by the Captain commanding the company in which they served, to remain with and take care of the said William Badgett, continued with him until sometime in February following. This affiant further states that about the first of February 1781, he volunteered with the said William Badgett, for 3 months in the County of Granville North Carolina in a company commanded by Captain Harrison, and that they were during that tour in service together, that they were at the Battle of Guilford and some time afterwards, were discharged at a place called Abbanathie in North Carolina – This affiant further states that the said William Badgett with whom he lived at the time was called out in the Militia service sometime in the spring of 1782 – and as he believes was in service for some time but how long, he cannot now recollect.

S/ Peter Badgett<sup>2</sup>


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<sup>2</sup> [Peter Badgett \(Badget\) S6559](#)

*Peter Badgett*

[p 11: On April 13, 1855 in Caswell County, the veteran filed an affidavit in which he states he gave his pension certificate to his son Henry Badgett who in turn gave it to Abisha Slade, the clerk of court of Tazewell County; that said clerk has searched his records and after diligent search cannot find the veterans pension certificate.]

[p 12: On April 14, 1855, in Caswell County North Carolina, Henry Badgett gave a supporting affidavit.

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Badgett". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

[p 9: On April 10, 1855 in Caswell County North Carolina, William Badgett, 93, filed for his bounty land entitlement as a revolutionary war soldier.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private in the North Carolina militia for 7 months 27 days.]