

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Bevan S6600

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State of North Carolina Bladen County: Personally appeared before us two of Justices of the Peace for said County William Bevan a resident of Bladen County formerly of Duplin County North Carolina aged seventy-five years and declares that he served as a soldier in the American service during the Revolutionary war as follows to wit. On or about the year 1775 I volunteered under Captain Frederick Wells in the Militia on a scouting party in and about Wilmington NC. I served two weeks at that time. The next tower was on or about 1776 I again volunteered under Captain Frederick Wells, And information being received that the Tories being embodied above Fayetteville NC then on their way to Wilmington NC we marched from Duplin County to Cumberland County and encamped at Rockfish Creek on the West side of Cape Fear River where express arrived acquainting us that the Tories had passed us on the East side of the River on their way to Wilmington we then marched down the River to Elizabeth Town in Bladen County and there crossed the River about that time I was taken sick and got a furlough to go home and on my way was taken prisoner by the Tories at Stewart's ferry on the South River and soon after made my escape. I was out on this tower three weeks.

The next tower of duty was as well as I recollect in the year 1778 I was hired by Samuel Jones as a Substitute for nine months in the Military service. I served six months at that time. We rendezvoused at Duplin County Court House under the command of Captain Daniel Williams we marched to Elizabeth Town in Bladen County and there encamped the most of the time. I then hired a man to serve the balance of my time. The next tower I served 6 weeks about the year 1781. I volunteered under Major Treadwell and marched from Duplin County to the Big Bridge over the North East River ten miles above Wilmington NC. About the same year 1781 I volunteered under the command of Captain Aaron Williams under whom I served three months in a company of horse and we marched in different directions through the counties of Duplin, New Hanover and Onslow in pursuit of the Tories.

State of North Carolina Bladen County: On the 17th day of August 1832 personally appeared before us two of the Justices of the Peace for the said County William Bevan a resident of Bladen County formerly of Duplin and state aforesaid aged seventy-five years who first being 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 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the above named officers and as above stated that he has no documentary evidence

and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services, And 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 before us two of the Justices aforesaid this 17th day of August 1832.

Test: S/ W. H. Beatty, JP

S/ William Bevan

S/ G. W. Bannerman, JP

[Robert Tate, a clergyman, residing in New Hanover County North Carolina, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

On this the 9th Day of May 1833 of William H Beatty a Justice of the Peace in & for said County personally appeared William Bevan the aforesaid applicant to amend the preceding declaration and being duly sworn doth on his oath further declare & say that his first tour of service under Captain Wells was in the year 1775 and he served two weeks & in his second tour he served three weeks which was in the year 1776 and in all his services he was a private.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ W. H. Beatty, JP

S/ William Bevan

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.88 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months & 5 days service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]