

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Henry S6999

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Virginia

At a court held at the court house for the County of Botetourt on Monday the 14th day of January 1833

On this 14th day of January 1833 personally appeared before the Court of said County in Open Court being a court of record William Henry a resident of said County and State aged 78 on the 30th day of September 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – that first he was drafted from Lancaster County Pennsylvania under a Captain Phenister[?] (a dutch-man [i.e. German]) was but a short time in service (two weeks) when he was discharged – secondly he was drafted from Shenandoah County Virginia under a Colonel Hite and marched as far as Stevens Town [Stevestown near Front Royal] was in service one month when he hired a substitute Jacob Rush for one hundred Dollars a stout dandy looking man who served out the whole time three months – 3^{rdly} he was drafted from Botetourt County Virginia under Captain Joseph Looney marched over Rockfish Gap to Old Virginia was at Richmond, Petersburg, Williamsburg, and was engaged in the Battle at James Town under Genl Wayne [Anthony Wayne, Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] General William Campbell from Holstine [sic: Holston River in Washington County VA] was the immediate commander of the militia then in service Colo Harris from Augusta during the battle of James Town [2 July 1781] commanded the Troops of which I was a part he was in service in this 3rd draft six months. That just before he was drafted the third time as set forth above he served against the tories as a volunteer under Captain Waterson and marched to the head of Cataba [sic: Catawba River in the Carolinas] and captured several of them he served this tour against the tories one month He was then drafted on his return and served as stated. He cannot tell how long he served but is confident he has not stated the time to be more than his actual service but as stated it is less he has no documentary evidence and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service 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 & subscribed the day and year first aforesaid

William hisXmark Henry

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document states that the widow of Jacob Henry received the final pension payment up to the date of his death, 24 Sept. 1840.