

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Morgan S9034

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State of North Carolina Edgecombe County } August Term 1832 Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

On this 28th day of August personally appeared before the justices of the Court of the County of Edgecombe and State aforesaid, now in session, William Morgan aged 68 a native and resident of the County and State aforesaid, who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He was drafted, then residing in the County of Edgecombe, in the service of the United States, and was attached to a company commanded by Capt. Etheldred Philips of which company Evan Philips was Lieutenant and Jacob Battle Ensign. This company was placed in a Regiment under command of Col. Linton [William Thomas Linton]. The company marched to Halifax where the Regiment was organized. This was he thinks in the month of February. From Halifax he proceeded to Hillsborough and thence to Guilford. He was not in the fight [Battle of Guilford Court House, March 15, 1781]¹ but had been detached by the commanding officer on guard to protect and prevent the prisoners from escaping. After the battle, he went to Cox's Iron work in North Carolina and thence to Ramsay's Mills where having remained some time he marched with the company to the place now occupied by the City of Raleigh and was discharged. He recollects frequently to have seen Genl. Greene [Nathanael Greene] and is unable to call to mind the name of any other regular officer -- This service embraced a period of three months being discharged about the 10th of May [1781].

In the following June he was drafted again and put in a company commanded by Captain Baker. The lieutenant he does not recollect but the Ensign was Glid. Killabrew [Glidwell Killebrew]—This company was attached to Colonel Kenyon's [sic, James Kenan's] Regiment. Having organized in Tarboro N.C. he marched to Smithfield No. Ca. from Smithfield to Kingston [sic, Kinston] thence to various places in that region of country searching for Tories and engaged in such other duty as the nature of the times required. He was thus employed for three months and was discharged at Grey's Ferry—There were continental troops in company with him. He was during this Tour present in a fight with the Tories and British at Rock Fish [Rockfish].²

He has no documentary evidence by which to substantiate these facts nor does he know

¹ https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_guilford_courthouse.html

² Rockfish Bridge, August 2, 1781. http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_rockfish_creek.html

any living person by whom he can prove them.

He hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to any pension or annuity other than the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed

S/ William Morgan, X his mark

[William Jones and Benjamin Coffield gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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