

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Solomon Prewitt (Prewett, Prewit, Pruitt) W1315
Transcribed by Joyce Stover

Solomon Prewitt of _____ in the State of Kentucky who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Nelson of the Reg't. commanded by _____ in the Virginia line for 2 years.

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky at the rate of 80 dollars ____ cents per annum, to commence on the 25th(?) day of March, 1834.

Certificate of Pension opened the 23rd day of April, 1839 and sent to Hon. Sherrod Williams, Monticello, KY.

_____ to the 3rd of March, 1839	\$400.00
_____ allowance _____	40.00

Recorded by D. Brown, Clerk, 3 March, 1839, Book E2, vol. 7, page 38

Ref.: 17 May, 1832

Kentucky, Cumberland Co., Sct.:

"This day Solomon Prewitt came before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said county and made oath that he enlisted in the Revolutionary army on Continental establishment in the state of Virginia in the year 1778 for and during the war, and continued to serve therein until its termination; that he served under Captain John Nelson and Col. Josiah Parker and was discharged in the summer of the year 1783 after the close of the war. From a copy of a letter from the Treasury Department of date 6th of October, 1829, it appears from my former declaration or statement, that I was discharged in 1781, two years before the termination of the war, that declaration was drawn by Mr. Emerson, the person employed to attend to my claim, from a memo of facts furnished him, in relation to my services, I presume and indeed I have no doubt, the mistake originated with him. The fact, however, is different. I continued in service from 1778 till the close or termination of the war in 1783. I was then discharged. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of April, 1832.

Teste: Solomon Prewitt
A. King, J.P., C.C."

"Kentucky, Cumberland County, Sct. This day John Scott and Charles Thurman, citizens of said county, came before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in and for said county, and made oath that they have been for many years acquainted with the affiant, Solomon Prewitt, above named, and that said Prewitt did enlist in the revolutionary army on Continental establishment in the year 1778 for and during the war and continued to serve therein till its termination in summer of 1783. The affiants, Scott and Thurman, are respectable men and entitled to full credit. Given under my hand as a Justice as aforesaid this 26th day of April, 1832. A.King, J.P., C.C."

"Kentucky, Cumberland County, Sct. Solomon Prewitt, a resident citizen of the county aforesaid, came before me the undersigned, a Justice of the peace in and for said county, and upon his solemn oath

made the following statement, with the view to be reinstated on the United States Pension List. That sometime in the year 1830, or 1831, and subsequent to that period, he made a statement of his services in the war of the revolution and for which he claimed a pension, and upon which he was placed on the pension roll of the Kentucky agency. And sometime in the year 1834 his claim to that pension was suspended and still continues to be; but for what cause he has at no time been informed, nor is he able to say or imagine the cause.

This affiant states that he entered the service of the United States in the year 1778; for five years or for and during the war; that he served under Captain John Nelson and Colonel Josiah Parker of the Virginia Continental Line, and continued in the service till the close of the war, that he was in several battles, and was at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at York. By reference, however, to the statements heretofore made by him, on file in Washington, his services will fully appear.

By the regulations of the department at war it is required where the applicant's record cannot be found upon the roll, that proof of service must be made by two respectable and disinterested witnesses. Proof to that effect was produced by this affiant upon his first application. One of those witnesses has since died, which precludes the possibility of again obtaining his statement."

"He does not know at this time of any person living save those by whom he can establish his service. That he did perform the services as by him stated he solemnly declares to be true, that he is in indigent circumstances indeed; that he is now in the 86th year of his age, and that the suspension of his pension has been oppressive to your affiant.

his
Solomon (X) Prewitt
Mark

Att. M.L. Stoner, J.P."

"Kentucky, Cumberland County, Sct. I do certify that the affiant, Solomon Prewitt is generally reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier in the war of the revolution, and I concur in that opinion. Given under my hand as one of the Justices of the Peace in and for said county of Cumberland, this 14 March, 1836. M.L. Stoner, J.P."

"Kentucky, Cumberland County, Sct. I, Milton King, clerk of the county court for said county, do certify that Michael L. Stoner, Esquire, whose signature is subscribed to the above affidavit and certificate, is a Justice of the Peace for said county, and that the signature is genuine. Witness my hand and seal of office, this 18th of March, 1836.

(SEAL)

M. King"

"We, the undersigned, have been long acquainted with the affiant, Solomon Prewitt, some of us for near 20 years, and we can with propriety, state that he is a man of good standing, that he has" (that is the end of that text and no more is included).

Kentucky

Mary Prewett, widow of Solomon Prewett, who served in the Revolutionary war, as a private, VA. Line, inscribed on the Roll at the Rate of 80 dollars 00 cents per annum, to commence on the 3rd February, 1853.

Certificate of Pension issued 29th day of July, '53 and sent to Jno. T. Neely, Present.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act of February 3, 1853, page 176, Col. A.

Kentucky, Cumberland County, Sct.:

"I, Mary Prewit of Cumberland County, Kentucky, states that she is the widow of Solomon Prewitt, deceased, who died in the year 1852 in said county of Cumberland and that her said husband was a pensioner of the United States for his services in the War of the Revolution at the rate of eighty dollars per annum during this life and that he drew said money at the agency for drawing Pensions at Louisville, Ky. She states that she married said Solomon Prewitt in said county about 12 years since and that she lived with him as man and wife until his death. She states further that she is about 87 years of age and yet a widow and verry poor. She therefore prays to be placed on the Pension role by the Department at Washington to draw the same amount her husband died when he died, to commence when he drew last, as by law she is entitled by _____ (of) the act of Congress passed a few weeks since as she is informed and believes.

Given under my hand this 16th day of February, 1853.

John Rush

Mary Prewitt"

"Know all men by these presents that we, Solomon Prewitt and James Lollar, are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the sum of fifty dollars, the payment of which well & truly to be made & done, we bind ourselves & our heirs jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed & dated the 4th day of November, 1840.

The condition of this obligation is such that a marriage is intended to be solemnized between said Prewitt & Mary Dulwit. Now if there shall be no lawful cause to obstruct the same, then this obligation to be void; else to remain in full force & virtue.

His
Solomon (X) Prewitt
Mark

His
Jas. (X) Lollar
Mark

Test: M. King, Clk."

Another version

Solomon Prewitt (Prewett, Prewit)

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

Ref 17 May 1832 [?]

Kentucky, Cumberland County

This day Solomon Prewitt Came before the Undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and made Oath that he enlisted in the revolutionary Army on Continental establishment in the State of Virginia in the year 1778 for and during the War, and Continued to serve therein until the termination; that he served under Captain John Nelson & Colonel Josiah Parker and was discharged in the Summer of the year 1783 after the close of the War.

From a copy of a letter from the Treasury Department of date 6th of October 1829 it appears from my former declaration or Statement, that I was discharged in 1781 two years before the termination of the War, that declaration was drawn by Mr. Emerson the person employed to attend to my claim, from a memo of facts furnished him, in relation to my services, I presume and indeed I have no doubt, the mistake originated with him; the fact however is different. I continued in service from 1778 till the close or termination of the War in 1783 & was then discharged.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th of April 1832.

S/ Solomon Prewitt¹

Test:

S/ A. King, JP CC

Kentucky, Cumberland County

This day John Scott and Charles Thurman, Citizens of said County, came before me the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace in & for said County, & made oath that they have been many years well acquainted with the aforesaid Solomon Prewett, above named, and that said Prewett did enlist in the Revolutionary Army on Continental establishment in the year 1778 for and during the War and continued to serve therein till its termination in Summer of 1783. The affiants Scott & Thurman are respectable men and entitled to full credit.

Given under my hand as a Justice as aforesaid this 26 day of April 1832.

S/ A. King, JP CC

Kentucky, Cumberland County

Solomon Prewit, a resident Citizen of the County aforesaid, and upon his solemn oath made the following statement, with the view to be reinstated on the United States Pension List.

That sometime in the years 1830, or 1831, and subsequent to that period, he made a statement of his services in the war of the revolution, and for which he claimed a pension, and upon which he was placed on the pension roll of the Kentucky agency – And sometime in the year 1834 his claims to that pension was suspended and still continues to be; but for what cause he has at no time been informed, nor is he able to say or imagine he cause.

This affiant states that he entered the service of the United States in the year 1778, for five years or for and during the war; that he served under Captain John Nelson & Colonel Josiah Parker of the Virginia Continental line, and continued in the service till the close of the war, that he was in several battles, and was at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781], at York. By reference however to the statements heretofore made by him, on file in Washington, his services will fully appear.

By the regulations of the department at war it is required where the applicant's name cannot be found upon the roll, that proof of service must be made by two respectable and disinterested witnesses. Proof to that affect was produced by this affiant upon his first application. One of those witnesses have since died, which precludes the possibility of again obtaining his Statement. He does not know at this time of any person living save those by whom he has heretofore proved his services by whom he can

¹ I do not believe that the signature is the actual signature of the veteran because the handwriting is identical to the body of the application and because subsequent documents indicate that he signed his documents with his mark.

establish his service. That he did perform the services as by him stated, he solemnly declares to be true, that he is in indigent circumstances indeed that he is now in the 86th year of his age, and that the suspension of his pension has been oppressive to your affiant.

S/ Solomon Prewit, X his mark

Att: S/ M. L. Stoner, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1834, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]