

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William White W19616

Elizabeth White

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Transcribed and annotated by Will Graves

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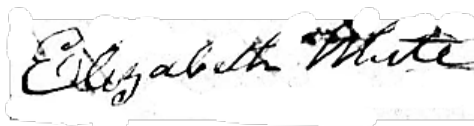
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State of Virginia Charlotte County to wit:

On this 11th day of September 1838 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Elizabeth White, age 79 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows –" That she is the widow of William White, late of Charlotte, who was a Corporal in the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment and an Ensign in militia in the war of the Revolution – That she knows very little, if anything at all, respecting the services of her late husband in the war of the Revolution, as coming within her personal knowledge: but she has always understood from old soldiers and verily believes the same to be true, that her late husband in the spring of 1776 enlisted in Charlotte County under Captain John Brent for the term of three years and was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel Lawson [Robert Lawson] and General Stevens [Edward Stevens] – That upon the organization of the company, he was made Corporal, and continued to act as such, until his term of enlistment expired – That subsequently he was drafted in the militia under Captain William Morton of Charlotte and marched to Guilford in North Carolina on which occasion he acted as Ensign in the company and was drafted for the term of three months –

She further declares that she was married to the said William White on the 15th day of July 1779; that her husband the aforesaid William White, died on the 26th day of November 1827: that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794; that is to say, at the time above stated.

S/ Elizabeth White

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth White". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper background.

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Married on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1790 by the Reverent Henry Lester – William White & Elizabeth

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<sup>1</sup> In the posting of Fold3.com (formerly Footnote.com), these documents were filed with the pension documents of William White FPA W18396 beginning on page 23 of that file.

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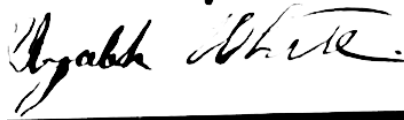
[the above record was certified by the clerk of Charlotte County as being a true copy of the registration in his office.]

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The Explanatory Declaration of Elizabeth White of Charlotte County, Virginia, widow of William White, deceased, in order to obtain a Pension under the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 –

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit: This day Elizabeth White, widow of William White, deceased, personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, and made oath in due form of law, that she was married to the said William White on the 15th day of July 1792 and that the said William White died on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1827 – that her said husband frequently mentioned to her that he was a Corporal in Infantry in the Continental line, and Ensign of militia, in the war of the Revolution, in all to receive a Pension, as others were claiming; but upon examination of the Act of Congress passed March 18th 1818, he found that none but does in reduced circumstances in life, who stood in need of assistance from their country for support, were embraced in that law – She further states that her said husband during the year 1818 and up to the time of his death, on and possessed a considerable real and personal estate, and was not in reduced circumstances in life, and required assistance from his country for support; and that for not embraced in the Act of March 18th 1818, as will appear from the annexed certificate.

S/ Elizabeth White

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elizabeth White", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is positioned above a solid black horizontal line.

[attested July 18th, 1839]

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State of Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with William White late of Charlotte in the War of the Revolution, and no the fact that he was a Corporal in the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment. He enlisted under Captain John Brent in the spring of 1776 for the term of 3 years, and was shortly after enlistment, made Corporal, in the company; in which capacity he served the whole term of enlistment – He was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Colonel Alston, in General Stevens – I am in the 79th year of my age, and was a soldier of the war of the Revolution –

S/ Thomas Harvey,<sup>2</sup> X his mark

[attested September 21, 1838]

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I Thomas Harvey do hereby certify in addition to within certificate, that said William White, in the year 1781, was drafted in the militia under Colonel Morton, for the term of 3 months and marched to Guilford in North Carolina – He acted on that occasion as Ensign in the company and served the said term faithfully. Given under my hand this 21st day of September 1838 –

S/ Thomas Harvey, X his mark

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<sup>2</sup> [Thomas Harvey R4715](#)

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Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with William White, late of Charlotte, in the Revolutionary war; and know the fact from personal knowledge, that he was a Corporal in the company commanded by Captain Brent that marched from Charlotte in 1776. He enlisted under Captain Brent, about March, 1776, for the term of three years, and upon the formation of the company, was made Corporal, in which capacity and rank, he served the whole term of enlistment – The company was attached to the 4th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Lawson and General Stevens – I am in the 79th year of my age, and was a soldier in the war of the Revolution – Given under my hand this 2nd day of October, 1838

S/ William P. Hamlett<sup>3</sup>

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William P. Hamlett". The signature is written in a cursive style with some ink bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$88 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836 4 husband service for 2 years as a Corporal in the Virginia Continental Line.]

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<sup>3</sup> [William P. Hamlett S13305](#)

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Addendum to William White W19616

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 26 March 2023.

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To his Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

The Memorial of the heirs, and legal representatives, of "William White," deceased, late of Charlotte County, who was a Corporal of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution: Respectfully sheweth:

That the said William White, in the Spring of 1776, enlisted as a soldier under Capt John Brent in Charlotte, for the term of three years, and shortly after enlistment, and upon the organization of the company officers, was made Corporal in the company, in which capacity and rank, he served faithfully the whole term of enlistment. He was attached to the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col [Robert] Lawson and General Stevens. All of which, will more readily appear, by reference to the public Records, and accompanying certificates of old and respectable soldiers who were in the service with him. That the said William White in his life time, never drew Land Bounty from the State of Virginia: nor have his heirs, since his death.

Your Memorialist, therefore, humbly pray that the Executive of Virginia, will grant them the usual quantity of Land, allowed a corporal of the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment, for the service of three years, pursuant to the laws of Virginia, in such case made and provided. And as in duty bound, shall ever pray &c.

William P. White

Virginia: Charlotte County To wit:

This day William P. White a son, and one of the heirs of said William White, came before me a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid, and made oath that the foregoing Memorial, he believed, contained the truth. Given under my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1838. Ro. Morton JP

State of Virginia = Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I was well acquainted with William White, late of Charlotte, in the war of the Revolution, and know the fact, that he was a Corporal in the State line of Virginia on Continental establishment. He enlisted under Capt. John Brent in the Spring of 1776, for the term of Three years, and was shortly after inlistment, made Corporal in the Company, in which capacity he served the whole term of enlistment. He was attached to the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, commanded by Col Lawson and General Stevens. The said William White afterwards, served a good deal in the Militia; but how long he served, and in what rank, I am unable to state. I am in the 87<sup>th</sup> year of my age, and was a soldier of the Revolution. He was corporal for three years.

James Mullings [S10251]

[28 Sep 1838]



This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session, 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 19th day of December 1782, in the name of William White as a Corporal of Infantry for £215.0.0, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to John Page and was given for services prior to the 1st January, 1782.

Given under my hand at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 6th day of October 1838.

Jas E. Heath AUDITOR.

Rejected DC [Gov. David Campbell]