

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Adam Deets W598      Mary Stiles      VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[24 April 1818] Adam Deets being duly sworn deposed and saith that he served a Musician [as a musician] in the revolutionary war in Capt. Kilpatrick's [sic: Abraham Kirkpatrick's] company of the second Regiment Virginia line under Col. [John] Nevill for the term of six years, until the cessation of hostilities, he being enlisted for during the war and received his discharge at Yorktown, Virginia after the capture of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781]. Said deponent further saith that he was wounded in Bluford's defeat at the Silver run in South Carolina in the month of May but he does not recollect the year [sic: defeat of Col. Abraham Buford at the Battle of Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780], and that he has never received any land bounty or pension for his wounds or services, this deponent having unfortunately lost his discharge in the conflagration of the house where he resided, and not knowing any living witness by whom he might prove his services or wounds. Said deponent further saith that when wounded he was under the command of Capt. [John] Stokes. Said deponent further saith that he does not recollect the year in which he enlisted or was discharged, that he now relinquishes all pensions heretofore allowed him, and that he is now old and infirm and from his reduced circumstances in life he needs the assistance of his country for his support.

Adam hisXmark Deets

Adam Deets }                    The State of Ohio Perry County Ss  
Pensioner    }                    Be it Remembered that at a Special Court of Common Pleas holden for the  
County aforesaid on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 Present the honorable Charles C. Hood John McMullin and  
George Trout Esqr associate Judges of said Court –  
Personally appeared in open court being a Court of Record of said County and State being expressly  
made a Court of Record by the Laws of said state and having the power of fine and imprisonment Adam  
Deets aged 51 years Residing in Reading Township in said County who being first duly Sworn according  
to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, that he enlisted in  
Capt Kilpatrick Company. Col Nevels Regiment virginia State Line as a Musicion about the second year  
of the war being then about 8 years old that he inlisted for and served during the war. that he was  
wounded and taken prisoner at Bluford defeat was afterwards exchanged and served out his time and  
was honorably discharged at Yorktown in virginia. and that he has recived a pention on his application  
and declaration made April 24<sup>th</sup> 1818 Certificate dated October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1818 and marked on the back 3851  
And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818  
and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part  
thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress  
entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States  
in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person  
in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than  
what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed – Schedule --  
one Lot and Small cabin in Oberaners[?] town one Cow two Knives and two forks one wash kittle and  
pot and one dutch oven two Buckets 6 pewter spoons one adze and Round shave and a wheel Barrow  
also 4 Earthen dishes 3 Earthen Crocks one spinning wheel and on Reel. I owe I Darst \$10.00 J  
Beckwith \$3.12½ I Patterson \$4.00 J. Heck \$12.00 H. Heck & G. Heck \$2.50 and I have but one Dollar  
due me. My occupation is a cooper but I am not able to do much Labor I have no family except my wife  
Rachel aged 60 years and not able to Labor to any extent                    Adam hisXmark Deets

NOTE:

On 19 May 1829 Adam Deets stated that he had recently moved from Muskingum County OH to Hamilton County OH so that “he might live among his relations & family.”

On 14 Dec 1820 Roswell Mills of Somerset OH wrote to James L. Edwards, the Pension Commissioner, inquiring whether the pensions of Adam Deets and John Wimmer (S40717) were to be continued, because "These old veterans are in want of the necessaries of life & if known that their names would be continued on the pension list, some of their more fortunate neighbors would be willing to make them some advances. This is more particularly the case with Mr Deets."

On 14 April 1853 Mary Stiles, 76, an inmate of the Perry County Infirmary (Poor House), applied for a pension stating that she married "Adam Deets" in November 1825, and he died while away from home on business, date not recollected.