

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wallar (Waller) W6396

Sarah

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The State of Ohio County of Guernsey: SS: On this 2nd day of August in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before William Skinner one of the Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the aforesaid County of Guernsey, William Waller, aged eighty years on the 5th day of November next, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States, on the 29th day of July 1776, for the term of three years, with Captain William Bradey [William Brady], and served in the Rifle Regiment commanded by Colonel Moses Rawlins [Moses Rawlings] (the number of which Regiment he does not now recollect) of the Virginia line, until after the battle of Fort Washington, when he was attached to the 11th Regiment of the Virginia line. – He served under the following named officers viz.: In the first Regiment mentioned, Hugh Stevenson [Hugh Stephenson] was the Colonel, but died at home before the Regiment marched – the Regiment was commanded during the time this declarant was attached to it by Moses Rawlins who was the Lieutenant Colonel – Otho Williams was the Major. – The officers of his Company were Captain William Bradey, above named, 1st Lieutenant William Piles – 2nd Lieutenant Christopher Bradey [Christopher Brady] (a brother of the Captain) Ensign Batteal Harrison [Battle Harrison], who was killed at the battle of Fort Washington. – After the battle of Fort Washington, as above stated, he was attached to the 11th Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan, who was at the time he joined it, away at the taking of Burgoyne – the Lieutenant Colonel was __ Phibaker [probably Christian Febiger] – during the time he was with the Regiment, they had different Majors – he recollects Majors Sneed, Porterfield & Wallace, the last of them acted as Major at the Battle of Monmouth – his Company in this Regiment was commanded by Captain Long, who was also away with Colonel Morgan – the Lieutenant was Philip Slaughter & the Ensign __ Barnes. The 11th Regiment was Infantry, and Captain Long, when he went with Morgan, joined the Riflemen & did not return to the Regiment while he was with it. –

This declarant was in the battles of Germantown & Monmouth, and was with the Army at the battle of Brandywine, but being at that time sick with the dysentery, he was wholly unable to go into the battle, and was left about one half mile in the rear – he could hear the firing & see the smoke. – He was not in the battle of Fort Washington, being prevented from crossing the River with his Regiment by some reason which he does not now distinctly recollect, but thinks he was then on the sick list with the yellow jaundice.

When this declarant entered the service he resided between Shepherdstown & Harper's Ferry, in Berkeley County Virginia, He marched through Fredericktown & Taneytown [?] in the State of Maryland, and through Little York & Lancaster to Philadelphia in the State of

Pennsylvania – From Philadelphia he went by water to Trenton, in the State of New Jersey, and thence through Jersey to Princeton to New Brunswick, and thence to Bergen Point where his Regiment was stationed.

He served out the full term of 3 years for which he had enlisted and on the 30th day of July 1779 was discharged from the service, near Stony Point Fort, by Brigadier General William Woodford, and received an Honorable discharge. –

This declarant further states that in October 1781, he was drafted for the term of three months, in the Virginia militia, in Captain McCormick's [probably George McCormick's] Company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Morgan of Shepherdstown, and served therein until the Sunday before the surrender of Cornwallis when he was discharged in consequence of fits to which he became subject, and received an Honorable discharge. – That he preserved both the discharges received by him as aforesaid, until about 10 or 11 years since, when his dwelling house was destroyed by fire, and everything therein burned. His discharges were in the house and destroyed at the same time. –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State. He deems it proper further to state that after he enlisted and before he marched, he was appointed first Corporal by Captain Brady in which capacity he served during the whole term of 3 years. – After the battle of Fort Washington Captain Brady resigned and went home. – Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid,...

S/ William Waller, X his mark

[Zacheus A Beatty and George Metcalf gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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The State of Ohio Guernsey County: SS

Before me, Nicholas Bailhache a justice of the peace within & for the said County of Guernsey, personally came John Kelly,¹ a resident of Muskegon County, in the State of Ohio, who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that he was a soldier of the Revolution, and is now a revolutionary Pensioner of the United States – that he was attached to & served in the 11th Regiment of the Virginia Line – that he served the term of 3 years – that he does not now distinctly recollect the date of this entry into the Army, but thinks it was in February 1777. – This deponent further says that he was well acquainted with William Waller, late of Westland Township in said County of Guernsey now deceased – that he first became acquainted with the said William Waller in the Army of the Revolution, who was a soldier in the said 11th Regiment when this deponent entered it – this deponent became well acquainted with him, and knows that he served in the said Regiment, for about the term of 2 years after this deponent entered the Regiment, and this deponent believes that he was regularly discharged. – This deponent and the said Waller belonged to different companies, and this deponent does not recollect whether he served as a Corporal or not – but from his knowledge of the said Waller, this deponent has no doubt that he did act as Corporal, if he has so stated – This deponent lived near the said Waller in Virginia for many years after the Revolutionary war, and for the last 15 years within 8 miles from him in Ohio. The said Waller always had the reputation of being a man of strict truth and veracity, and this deponent would not hesitate to believe any statement made by the said Waller, whether under oath or not. This deponent always understood in the Army, that the said Waller served the full term of 3 years.

¹ FPA S41717

S/ John Kelly, X his mark

[attested April 12, 1833]

[fn p. 20: On November 17, 1841 in Guernsey County of Ohio, Sarah Wallar, 82, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William Wallar a pensioner for his service in the revolution; that she married him March 9th, 1780; that her husband died September 21st, 1832.]

[fn p. 21: On November 17, 1841 in Guernsey County of Ohio Joseph Wallar, 51, gave an affidavit in support of his mother's application for a pension. He stated that his parents had 5 children older than himself but he did not name them.]

[fn p. 17: family record:

Joseph Wallar was born July the 13th 1791

Sarah Wallar was born December the 4th 1791

Eliza Wallar was born February the 8th 1813

Samuel Wallar was born April the 10 1815

Frances Asberry Wallar was born March the 4 1817

Millinda Wallar was born August the 11 1819

Jacob Wallar was born September the 22 1821

Benjamin Wallar was born December 7th 1823

Joseph Wallar was born February 10th 1827

Finley Wallar was born February 21st 1833

Joseph Wallar and Sarah Board was married April 31st 1812

Eliza Wallar was married August the 2, 1833

Samuel Wallar was married January the 8th 1839]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service in the Virginia Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843, for her husband's service as a private in the revolution.]