

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Dominick Welsh W6461                      Mary Welsh    VA  
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State of Virginia Bedford County S.S.

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 1841, before me Robert Campbell a Justice of the peace, in and for said County personally appeared Mrs Mary Welsh Aged 96 years – a respectable resident of said county, 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 7, 1838, entitled “An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows”: –

That she is the widow of Dominick Welsh alias Walsh who was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, state line service, in both Infantry and Cavalry – that he enlisted in said County in the early part of the war – probably under Alex’r Cummins [Alexander Cummins] Capt. Geo Lambeth [probably George Lambert, pension application S8810] or Gross Scruggs and marched to the north – and thinks he was at the battle of GermanTown [4 Oct 1777] – and was at Fort Pitt at one time – from whence he went down the Ohio – and was stationed at Fort Boon [possibly Squire Boone’s fort on Brashears Creek S of Shelbyville KY] on the Kentucky Frontier – and that about the year 1778 he enlisted under Capt Jno Rogers [John Rogers, possibly X648] of the Cavalry, Virginia State line service – and performed the greater part of his services as such in the Illionsis [sic: Illinois] Territory – and was at Detroit at one time – and about the close of the Revo’y was encamped or stationed on the Military lands in Kentucky – and while there her husband, the aforesaid Dominick Welsh – alias Walsh marked his name on a tree – where he wished Capt Rogers to locate his land 200 Acres which was on the waters of Green River – and that he was also entitled to 100 Acres more in Illionois in consideration of his services during the war. That her husband drew his land warrant for 200 Acres – which he gave to Capt Rogers to locate for him – which she understood he did do – and that her husband paid for a surveying. — Declarant also heard the aforesaid Dominick Welsh speak of of receiving his certificate for the amt due him for his services at the close of the war – which was for a large amount – and that he put into Capt Sam’l. Scotts hands to collect for him. And she the declarant further says – that she was married to the said Dominick Welsh alias Walsh – in the month of October 1785 – and that her husband the aforesaid Dominick Welsh died in October 1813 – That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 – viz. at the time above stated – as will more fully appear by the proof annexed – marriage bond sr’d[?] – and that she has remained unmarried ever since the death of her husband as aforesaid to the present time. and that her husband - Welsh - was an Irishman and declarant’s maiden name was Parker.

witness Sarah herXmark Carter

Mary herXmark Welsh

[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Virginia, Bedford County S.S.

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 1841, before me Balda McDaniel a Justice of the peace in and for said County, personally appeared Mr. Zachariah Wheat, a respectable resident of said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say – That he is 72 years old – that he became acquainted with Dominick Welsh alias Walsh an Irishman in or about the year 1783 or 84 – that in the 1793 or 94 said Dominick moved within two miles of deponant – at which time they were living together as man and wife – that is in a state of Matrimony with Mary Parker now Mary Welsh his present widow – and at that time had two children – Catharine and Sally – the oldest of whom was about 7, 8 or 9 years old – that they Dominick Welsh – alias Walsh – and Mary Welsh his present present widow– whose maiden name was Parker – lived together as man and wife until his death – which was in or about the year 1814 or 15 – and that the aforesaid Mary Welsh has remained unmarried ever since to the present time. that deponant heard said Dominick Welsh alias Walsh say that he enlisted in said county in the early part of the

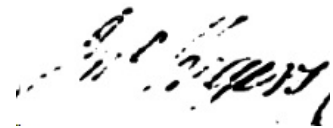
Revo'y. War (but dep. does not recollect the Captains name) that when his enlistment in the foot service was out – that the said Welsh enlisted under Capt Jno. Rogers of the Cavalry State line service during the war – that he was at fort Pitt – was engaged in some battles against the British and Indians – in the Illionois Territory – that towards the close of the Revo'y. War he encamped on the Military lands in Kentucky on the waters of Green River – that while there the said Welsh marked a tree by which he wished Capt Rogers to locate the land he was entitled to for his services – that after the close of the war he lived with said Rogers as overseer, and gave him up his discharge to get his land warrant and locate it for him – which Welsh supposed he had done – which was for services during the war – that Capt. Jno Rogers died on his return from locating his own, and Welch's land – and that the said Welch never saw Rogers from the time he went out to locate the land until his death

[signed] Zachariah Wheat

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The bearer Dominick Welsh who was a soldier in a Company of State Cavalry is at his own request hereby discharged from further service, he having served the term of his Inlistment as a good and faithfull soldier, I therefore Reccomend him as such Given from under my hand this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1783

[John Rogers Capt. Comand't]



Dominick Welsh made oath before me, that he enlisted with Capt Rogers Company of State Cavalry to serve during the war – March 12 1780 [last digit unclear] James Buchanan

NOTES:

A letter dated 8 Oct 1841 states that Dominick Welsh “was also under Capt. Chas. Watkins [Charles Watkins] of the State line 12 mo. tour out at fort Boone.”

The file contains a copy of the marriage bond signed by Dominick “Welch” and James Pritchard of Bedford County on 21 Oct 1785 for the marriage of Welsh to Mary Parker, and also written permission from Mary Parker dated 19 Sep 1785 for “Dominic Welch to take out a license for me to be his wife.”

On 20 Oct 1841 Philip Lockard (W3836), 95, stated that he knew Dominick and Mary Welsh before their marriage and also “in Amherst County whence they removed shortly after they were married – where they lived several years, and then returned to Bedford County.” On 21 Oct 1841 Moses Parker, 64, also made a supporting statement.

On 21 June 1843 Mary Welsh was said to be 100. A Treasury-Department document states that the administrator of her estate received her final pension payment up to the date of her death, 5 Sep 1843.