

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip White W647

Jemima

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State of North Carolina Davidson County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this 16 day of May A.D. 1839 personally appeared before the County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Davidson, State aforesaid Jemima White a resident in the County of Davidson State aforesaid aged about seventy-six 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 7, 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows ["] -- That she is the widow of Philip White, who was a private in the Army & Militia of the Revolution, -- that her husband, did serve in the revolution -- in the different tours, that he joined as a private soldier in Captain Donoho's [Thomas Donoho's] Company of the 10th Regiment, that he enlisted in the State of North Carolina, in said Company and on the 14th of May 1781 for the term of twelve months & that he left the service the 14th day of June 1782, agreeable to the Certificate of William Hill Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, hereunto appended -- That she is satisfied he performed other tours of service prior to the tour mentioned, that although she was not married to him until the expiration of the last period of his [indecipherable word] -- but that she was well acquainted with him before he entered the service the first time -- as he had addressed her and desired to have her his wife --, and her good wishes followed him during the war -- that he then served a tour of eighteen months -- & one of six -- but whether in the militia -- or Continental line -- Affiant does not at this time recollect -- that in some of these tours -- he was at the Battles of Guilford and Charlestown -- that she verily believes -- but only from the circumstances -- that in paying his [indecipherable word, looks like 'erects'], on his occasional return home, he informed her of the incidents of his tours -- and after her marriage with him it was frequent theme of conversation --

She further declares, that at the time of her marriage she resided in the County of Granville, state of North Carolina.

That she does not recollect the particular day on which she was married -- but she is certain it was ~~after the expiration~~ of some four [could be "five"] months after peace was made, that her husband the said Philip White died in the County of Rowan and where he then resided in

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above tour was either three or five months, I cannot say definitively, he left home in the spring of 1780, returned after the Battle of Charleston. After which in May 1781 he enlisted in the Continental line of this State, for twelve months, under Captain Donoho, where he served faithfully for that time, of which I know of my own personal knowledge during which time he was at the Battle of Eutaw Springs, where I was also, & saw him & I also saw Philip White frequently at different times during his last tour in South Carolina, as a reason why I should know the said White more particularly is, that he was raised in my immediate neighborhood & I was always acquainted with him and know of a certainty that Philip White of whom I testify did serve twelve months as a Continental Soldier & also one tour in the Militia.

Sworn to and subscribed on this 2nd day of November 1842 before
S/ MD Royster, JP S/ John Locke

[fn p. 114: marriage bond dated September 17, 1783 issued to Philip White and William Priddy, bondsmen, to secure the marriage of Philip White to Jemima White -- issued in Granville County North Carolina]

[fn p. 277]

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that, it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Philip White a private Soldier in Captain Donoho's company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the 14th day of May 1781, for the term of 12 months and that he left the service on the 14th day of June 1782.

Given under my hand this 9th day of April 1839
S/ Wm Hill

[fn p. 402: the widow sued on January 18 1848 in Stokes County North Carolina John Roach and Sylvester Bettice for unlawfully withholding her pension payments as her agents for the collection thereof.]

[fn p. 451: Jemima Harris of Granville County gave testimony on December 10, 1840 that she has known Jemima White since she was a girl and was present at the marriage of Philip White to Jemima White and that they lived together as man and wife Ford years while they remained in Granville County.]

[fn p. 491 the widow was still alive as of February 24, 1849 at which time she was living in Forsyth County North Carolina.]