

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John White W6480 Eleanor (Eleanor) White f119MD/VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 1/6/15

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State of Pennsylvania County of Westmoreland: SS

Personally appeared in open Court before the Hon. J. M. Brunell Pres. Judge and his Associates Hon. Daniel Cook and Hon. James Bell Judges of the court of Common Pleas of the County of Westmoreland in the State aforesaid at the Court of Common Pleas Held at Greensburg in and for said County on the 23rd day of April A.D. 1855 John White, administrator of the Estate of Eleanor White [sic, so spelled throughout this document, but I have used Eleanor White hereafter] who being first duly sworn according to law in open court before the said Judges of said court declares that he is a son of John White who was a Private in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War – that the said John White was a private in said War in the Virginia Legion commanded by Lt. Col. Henry Lee Junior [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] (called Lee's Legion). That he understood from his father the said John White and also from his mother the said Eleanor White that the said John White served as a private in the Revolutionary war for the period of three years and nine months. That the said John White was honorably discharged on the 23 day of July A.D. 1781 at the High Hills of Santee as will appear by a part of his original discharge which is hereto annexed and marked A. That the said John White was Born in Maryland and entered the service in Virginia or Maryland. He further states that the said John White while in the service of the United States was wounded in battle with a Bayonet in the upper part of the thigh. That he has frequently seen him point to the place and [indecipherable word]¹ where he received the wound in the thigh and that he knew him to be always a little lame from the wound sometimes he would be worse than others, and would complain that it was from the wound. He finally got a [indecipherable word]² in his groin which became worse from time to time until he finally died and he complained that the [indecipherable word]³ proceeded from the wound which he had received. That he had frequently heard him in his lifetime speak of his services in the Revolutionary War under Col. Lee. He further states that the said John White was married to the said Eleanor White on the 13th day of May A.D. 1788 as will appear by the family record herewith forwarded, marked B, and that the maiden name of the said Eleanor White was Eleanor Williams, previous to her marriage with the said John White she

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³ same as 2 above

being a daughter of Richard Williams Esq. of Donegal Township in the said County of Westmoreland. He further states that the said Richard Williams the father of the said Eleanor White was a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Westmoreland and that he performed the marriage ceremony between the said John White and the said Eleanor White as this deponent was informed by his mother the said Eleanor White.

He further states that the said John White died in Donegal Township in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania in the month of August in the year A.D. 1818 and that Eleanor White the wife of the said John White died in done he call Township in the said County of Westmoreland Pennsylvania on the Eleventh day of October in the year A.D. 1851 and that the said John White at the time of his death left surviving him the said Eleanor White who remained his widow until her death. He further states that the said John White and Eleanor White had by their marriage Eleven children to wit Margaret, Rosannah, Sarah, Susanna, Drusylla, Elizabeth, Eleanor, John White the declarant, Isaac S, Matilda & Isaac. That all the children above named of the said John White & Eleanor White were living at the time of the death of the said John White in the month of August in the year A.D. 1818 except Isaac S White who died in infancy. He further states all the above named children of John White and Eleanor White were living on the 11th of October A.D. 1851 the time of the death of the said Eleanor White except Sarah & Isaac S. That the said Sarah died intestate and unmarried on the 13th day of September in the year A.D. 1851. That since the death of said Eleanor White the widow of the said John White Matilda a daughter of the said Eleanor and John White has died having been previous to her death married to John Kuhn and that she left issue by her marriage with the said John Kuhn, Isaac, Philip, Eleanor Kuhn, Nancy, Margaret, Matilda, John and David to wit Eight children and her husband John Kuhn surviving her. John Kuhn & wife had removed to and resided [indecipherable word] and at the time of the death of the said Matilda in the State of Illinois. He further states that the family record here with produced is in the proper hand writing of the said John White the soldier, and was obtained from among his family papers and books. He further states that the paper marked A purporting to be the discharge of the said John White was found by him among the papers of the said John White after his death and that he has made diligent and careful search for the balance of the Discharge but cannot find it.

S/ John White



[p 64: On April 23rd, 1855 in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania, the court entered a finding that based on satisfactory evidence the court finds that John White, a revolutionary war soldier, was married legally to Eleanor Williams; that John White died in August 1818 leaving his widow surviving him; that his widow died intestate October 11 1851 survived at the time of her death by 9 children namely Margaret Brandon, Rosannah Corson, Susanna Brindle, Drusilla Brook, Elizabeth Patterson, Eleanor Brindle, John White, Isaac White and Matilda Kuhn; that Matilda Kuhn died leaving 8 children namely Isaac, Philip, Eleanor, Nancy, Margaret, Matilda, John & David and that all of the above named living persons are the heirs of John and Eleanor White.]

[Facts in the file: Other documents in the file establish that Margaret or Peggy White was born July 25, 1789 and married to Dr. William Brannon living in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania in 1855; that Rosannah White was born May 2, 1791 and married James O Carson living in Franklin County Pennsylvania in 1855; that Sarah White was born November 27, 1792

unmarried died September 11, 1851; that Susanna White born August 22, 1794 married Henry Brindle, living in Illinois in 1855; that Drusilla White was born May 13, 1796 and married John A Brooks living in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania in 1755; that Elizabeth White was born January 3, 17?? And married John Patterson, living in Fulton County Pennsylvania in 1855; Eleanor White was born November 20, 1800 and married John Brindle, living in Westmoreland County Pennsylvania in 1855; that John White was born July 20, 1802; that Isaac Stull White was born June 3, 1804 and died in infancy; that Matilda S White was born October 20, 1806 and married John Kuhn who was living in Schuyler County Illinois in 1855; and that Isaac S White was born August 4, 1808; that one William Duff a resident of Westmoreland County Pennsylvania in 1855 and aged 34 years was married to one of the veteran's granddaughters, but her name is not given in the file.]

[p 119: Partial discharge marked as A and referred to in the application transcribed above]
Given in Camp at high Hills of Santee this 23rd July 1781

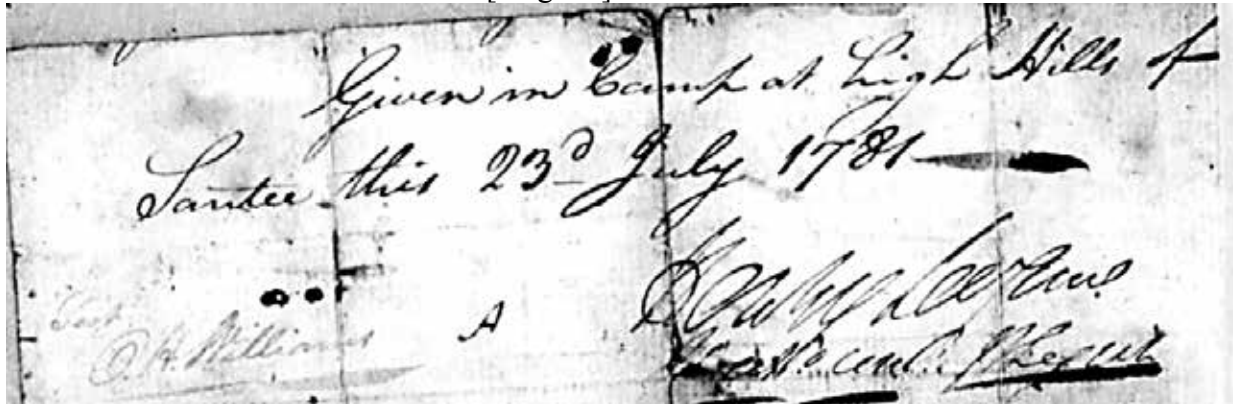
Test

O. H. William

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Henry Lee Lt. Col.

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The image shows a close-up of a handwritten document. The main text is written in cursive and reads: "Given in Camp at High Hills of Santee this 23rd July 1781". Below this, there are several lines of text, including a signature that appears to be "O. H. William" and another signature that is partially obscured and difficult to read. The document is aged and has some staining.

[Note: The Bible family record referred to in the application appears on p 4 of the file but the image of it is too faint to be meaningfully reproduced here.]

[Veteran's widow's heirs received the pension due her at the rate of \$91.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service as a private for 22 months in the Virginia Continental cavalry.]