

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Williams W6502

Elizabeth

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State of Virginia: Lunenburg County to wit:

On this 29th day of October 1838, personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Elizabeth Williams aged 93 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 7th 1838, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows –"

That she is the widow of James Williams late of Lunenburg County, who was a soldier in the war of the Revolution: that being a woman, and not in the service, she cannot say anything as coming within her personal knowledge, respecting the services of her late husband, in the war of the Revolution: but she has always understood from reputable soldiers, and believes their statements to be true and correct, that he was a good deal in the service, and served his country faithfully in every respect: As to length of service, particulars of service, rank in lines, Regiment to which he belonged, officers commanding, &c, she refers to the Public Records, and accompanying certificates, which he prays may be considered as part of her declaration –

She further declares that she was married to the said James Williams on the 31st day of December 1781; that her husband, the aforesaid James Williams, died on the 2nd day of April, 1830; 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: to which, at the time above stated.

S/ Elizabeth Williams, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, this 29th day of October, 1838 –

S/ Stephen Pettis [?, could be Petters, Pettus ??], JP

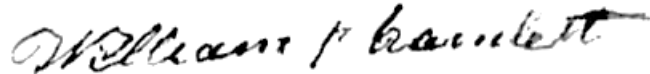
[fn p. 9: copy of a marriage bond dated December 31, 1781, issued to James Williams & Richard Williams, both of Lunenburg County, to secure the marriage of James Williams to Elizabeth Williams.]

Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that I have a distinct recollection of James Williams, deceased, late of Lunenburg County, in the war of the Revolution; and know the fact, as coming within my personal knowledge, that he enlisted under Captain Garland in 1777, for the term of three years, and was attached to the 6th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment – The said Regiment, at different times, was commanded by several officers. He served the said term faithfully, and was honorably discharged from service. I am in the 79th year of my age, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary war.

Given under my hand this 15th day of December, 1838.

S/ William P Hamlett¹



Virginia: Charlotte County to wit:

I do hereby certify, that James Williams late of Lunenburg County, was a soldier under Captain Peter Garland, and attached to the 6th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment in the war of the Revolution – he enlisted, I think, in 1777, (the early part of the year) for the term of three years, which term he served, and was regularly discharged from service. He was afterwards, drafted once or twice in the Militia, but how long he served, I am unable to say, in that service – I am in the 87th year of my age, and was a soldier of the Revolutionary war – Given under my hand this 20th day of September 1838.

S/ James Mullings²



[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 for her husband's two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

¹ FPA S13305

² FPA S10251