

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Wolfenbarger (Wolfenberger) W6575
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State of Ohio, Gallia County

This day personally appeared before me the subscriber Thomas Rodgers one of the Associate Judges of the Court of common pleas for the County of Gallia & State of Ohio Philip Wolfenbarger aged about 57 years and a resident of said County of Gallia, and being duly sworn according to law, doth upon his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision of a late law of the United States, entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War. That he the said Philip Wolfenbarger enlisted in Miller's Town in Shenandoah County in the foot service in Captain Wallan's [the War Department read this name as "Wallace"] Company, under Major Ridley [Thomas Ridley] of the Virginia line, the time of this enlistment he does not recollect, but the term of service was for 18 months, & that he was in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], the said Major Riddle [sic] then & there commanding the Regiment in which he served. That about two months after this battle as well as he can recollect, he enlisted for "during the war" in the horse service, and first served in Captain Hughes [John Hughes'] company of Cavalry thence served under Captain Watts [John Watts] who took command of the same company. He well recollects Henry Bowyer was his first Lieutenant while he served under Captain Hughes & he thinks also while he served under Captain Watts; & that he continued to serve under Captain Watts until he was discharged at Winchester after peace took place – to which place the company was marched from South Carolina for the purpose of being mustered & discharged. That the company was marched to that place under the command of Lieutenant Bains. That the officer came up from Richmond to discharge the man whose name he does not recollect. That the company in which he served composed a part of Washington's [William Washington's] corps of Cavalry & that he served under said Washington in the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781], Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] & many skirmishes in Georgia, & was at the taking of & cutting to pieces of a body of Indians near Savannah that had attempted to [balance of line obliterated and illegible]. And that he has now no other evidence within his control whereby he can prove said service & that he is now in such reduced circumstances as absolutely to stand in need of the assistance of his country for his support & that owing to the cold and fatigues he underwent while in service he is so much crippled in one of his legs, as often to prevent him from labor, which is his only support.

S/ Philip Wolfenbarger

This is to certify that the above named Philip Wolfenbarger this day before me made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration & in my presence subscribed the same & that from his character for truth & honesty, as well as from the facts contained in his declaration, I am well satisfied, that he served the United States in the revolutionary war as therein stated, And I further certify, that from my personal knowledge of the affiant, as well as from the testimony of his neighbors, I am well convinced that he is both infirm, & in reduced & needy circumstances, &

absolutely stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support.

Given under my hand this eighth day of February 1819.

S/ Thomas Rodgers

State of Ohio Gallia County November 2, 1819

The said, Philip Wilson Barber, in further proof of his said services on his oath declares that at the time he enlisted for during the war, he was enrolled in said Hughes Company, that company formed a part of William White's [sic, Anthony Walton White's] Regiment of Horse or Cavalry which was of the Virginia line – sometime after his enlistment, the said White's Regiment became so reduced, that it was consolidated, & this deponent was transferred to Colonel Washington's Regiment, as is set forth in his said declaration.

Subscribed & sworn to before me.

S/ Philip Wolfenbarger, X his mark

S/ William Preston, JP

[John Taylor gave an affidavit supporting of the applicants reputation as a soldier.]

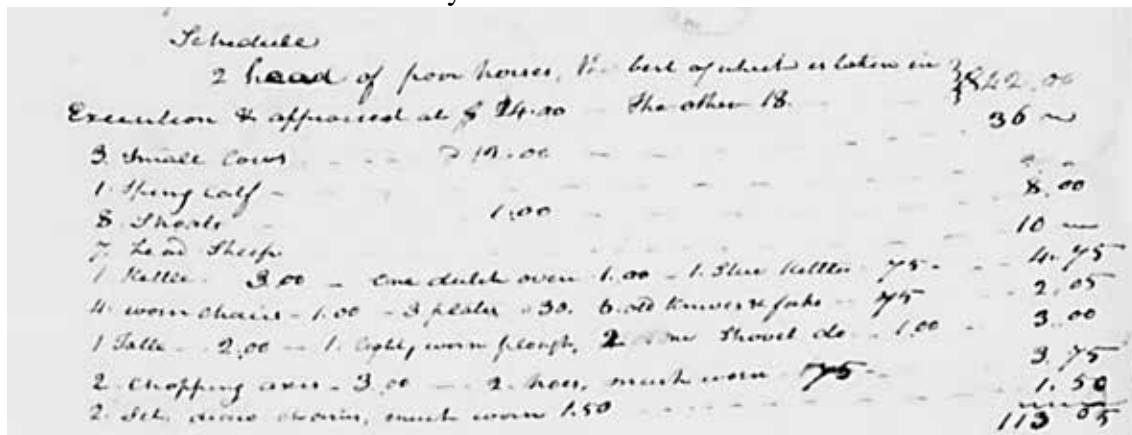
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State of Ohio Gallia County SS – Court of Common Pleas

On this 1st day of August 1820, personally appeared in Open Court, being a Court of record for said County, Philip Wolfenbarger, age 57 years & 11 months – resident of said County & being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows,

That he enlisted out of the foot service (where he was doing duty as a soldier for a Term of 18 months) into Captain Hughes' Company of Cavalry for during the War, shortly after the battle of Guilford [Guilford Court House, March 15, 1781] in which he was engaged in the foot service, and continued to serve in said Company of Cavalry, the latter part of which time it was commanded by Captain Watts, – The said Company serving first in Colonel White's Regiment, and afterwards in Washington's Troop or Regiment, in which he was serving at the close of the war at which time he received an honorable discharge, all of which will more fully appear & by additional testimony in his former declaration on which he has received a pension certificate numbered 16790.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed:



Schedule

2 head of farm horses, the best of which is taken in
Execution & appraised at \$ 24.00 - the other 18. - 36.00

3 small cows	19.00	
1 Spring calf		8.00
5 Sheeps	1.00	10.00
7 Lead Sheeps		
1 Kettle - 3.00 - One Dutch oven 1.00 - 1.5lb Kettle 75 -		4.75
4 worn chairs - 1.00 - 3 plates 75 - 6.00 Knives & forks 75 -		3.00
1 Table - 2.00 - 1. Light worn floorst. 2. One Shovel do - 1.00 -		3.75
2 Chopping axes - 3.00 - 2. hoes, much worn 75 -		1.50
2 Set. some chairs, much worn 1.50		
		113.05

S/ Philip Wolfenbarger, X his mark

And I the said Philip Wolfenbarger to furthermore solemnly swear that I am indebted to Robert Worth & Company \$21 on the note, I gave Samuel W. Blaff \$15, to Andrew Morrison \$30, to J. Sams about \$6, to David D. Varian \$10 – and several other small demands the whole amounting to above \$100, on most of which there are judgments to be satisfied out of the property entered in the above schedule, which will not sell for a sum of money that will discharge my debts & that I have no other means to discharged them. That I am a Common labor by occupation, and that my family consists of a wife – a grandchild, a girl of about 7 years, & a boy of about 12 years. That by reason of my suffering while in the service of the United States 1 of my legs is so injured with the cramp as to often prevent me from any kind of exercise.

S/ Philip Wolfenbarger, X his mark

[Veteran died in Pike County, Ohio October 1, 1852; he married Catharine Cooper on May 23, 1791 in Greenbrier County, Virginia; she applied [p 31] for a widow's pension at age 78 on October 19, 1852 when she was a resident of Pike County, Ohio; she died in Pike County on February 14, 1855; Philip and Catharine had only one child, Elizabeth, born February 23, 1795; married Abraham Taylor, born May 8, 1787, died about 1850; the names and birth dates of Abraham and Elizabeth Taylor's 9 children are listed in the files, and includes the married names of their female children. Pp 2-4: family record:

<p>Catharine Taylor was born February 15 - 1839 -</p> <p>Magdalene Taylor was born 12 August 1820</p> <p>Elizabeth Taylor was born 7 May 1822</p> <p>Pesannah Taylor was born 25 August 1824 -</p> <p>Marjanda Taylor was born 11 December 1829 -</p> <p>Phillip-ene Taylor Born 24 January 1831</p>	<p>Abraham Taylor was 45 years old the 15th day of May 1832 -</p> <p>Elizabeth Taylor was born February 23, 1795 -</p> <p>Fermela Taylor was born Oct 24 - 1814 -</p> <p>John Taylor was born December 25 - 1816 A</p>
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Spencer Harris Hayman
 was born in the year of our
 Lord 1827 Oct. the 10th
 Catey Holtenburger
 was born January 18
 1774
 Witness Holtenburger
 was born January 23 1795

November the 25 Day
 1800 **B**
 Henry Hayman was
 born in the year of our
 Lord 1807 November
 the 25 Day
 1800

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing February 8, 1819, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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Addendum to Philip Wolfenbarger (Wolfenberger) W6575

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 10 September 2023.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Woolfinburgar, Phillip.]

Phillip Woolfinburger a Soldier 1st Reg't. Dragoons has leave of Absence with his horse, armes & accoutrements till the 20 July, then to repair to the rendesvous of the Reg't. or sooner if call'd for by Commanding Officer Rob't. Morrow [Robert Morrow BLWt1508-300] Capt. LD
June 25 1783

I do certify that Phillip wolfinburger inlisted to serve as a sold'r. for the war in 1st Reg't. of Dragoons on the 1st day of april 1781. June 30 1783 G Hite [George Hite W5105] Lieut 1st R. L.D.
Nov. 1st 84/ pass'd S Hawes Com'r. Copy/ Philip Southall

For Value Rec'd. I do Assign to Wm. Reynolds the full ballance pay gratuety & bounty Land due me as a sold'r. cavalry. Phillip hisXmark Wolfinsburger
Test/ A Campbell