

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Shropshire W7180 Elizabeth fn75NC
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State of Tennessee County of White: to wit: On this 4th day of September 1827 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record having power to fine and imprison and being the Circuit Court for said County William Shropshire, resident in said County aged sixty-seven years who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first May 1820 that he the said William Shropshire enlisted for the Term of twelve months in the month of September 1775 in the County of Guilford State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain John Armstrong in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Alexander Martin in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until September 1776 when he was discharged in Guilford County State of North Carolina. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any State and that he made repeated applications for a pension which he is now informed were informal or not received and in pursuance of the act of first May 1820, 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 nor any property other than the clothes which I where and that since the 18th of March 1818 the following change has been made in my property. I owned in 1823 an Indian pony, saddle and bridle valued at \$6 the pony died in 1824 sworn to and declared on the 4th day of September A.D. 1827 before N. W. Williams Judge of said Court

S/ William Shropshire

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State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the name of William Shorpshire does not appear on the musterrolls of the Continental line of this

State in the revolutionary war.

Given under my hand at office in Raleigh this 4th day of September 1826
S/ Wm Hill

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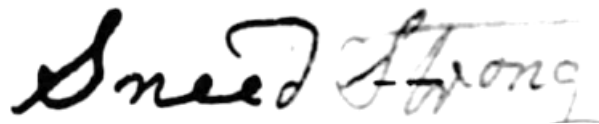
State of North Carolina Rockingham County: This day Mr. John Fields¹ personally appeared before me Nathaniel Scales one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County and made oath that William Shorpsire was a soldier in the regular service of the United States under Captain John Armstrong in the 2nd Regiment of North Carolina Regulars, that this deponent states that he served with the said William Shorpsire in the year 76 and that Alexander Martin was the Colonel commandant that this deponent further maketh oath that he was a Sergeant in Captain Armstrong's Company and that said William Shorpsire served under him.
Sworn to and subscribed this 7th June 1827.

S/ John Fields

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Fields". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

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State of North Carolina Rockingham County: This day Captain Sneed Strong² personally appeared before Nathaniel scales one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County and made oath that William Shropshire was in the Militia service of the United States in the year 80 that himself and said Shropshire received their discharges both at the same time that George Peay [could be Ray] was Captain and getting sick the served under Richard Vernon Lieutenant in said Peays [could be Rays] Company.
Sworn to and subscribed this 7th of June 1827

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sneed Strong". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

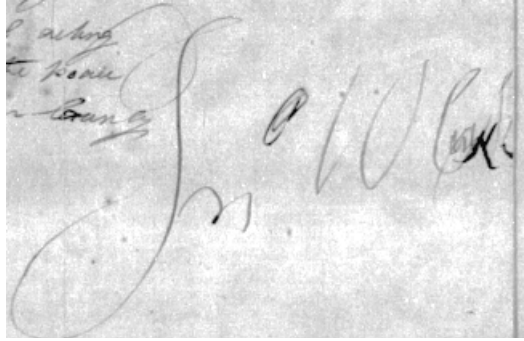
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State of Tennessee Lincoln County: This day personally came John W Crunk³ before me Jesse Daniel an acting Justice of the Peace and made oath in due form of law and saith that he is well acquainted with William Shropshire who now resides in White County Tennessee, that he enlisted in the Service of the United States in February 1776, that he served in Captain John Armstrong's Company in the Continental Army [spelled armagh] the 2nd Regiment commanded by Colonel Alexander Martin that he remained in the Service for 9 months or more , and that [he] was taken sick and furloughed to go home this deponent further states that he was also a soldier and served with the said Shropshire.
Sworn to and subscribed to before made this 15th day of November 1825

¹ [John Fields W3971](#)

² I could not find that the veteran by this name filed for a federal pension based on his revolutionary war services.

³ [John Walter Crunk S38646](#)



[fn p. 14: On October 13, 1852, in Macon County Alabama, Elizabeth Shropshire, aged about 83, a resident of Macon County Alabama filed for her pension benefit as the widow of William Shropshire under the provisions of the 1838 act stating that she married her husband to the best of her recollection in the year 1784 but does not recollect the day of the month and refers to the family record⁴ in her possession of the date of her marriage; that her husband died August 10, 1835; and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 11: on November 25, 1856 in Dale County Alabama, Elizabeth Shropshire, 86, a resident of Coffee County Alabama filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of William Shropshire.]

[fn p. 65: in a letter that appears to be dated December 18, 1825 and sent from Tuscumbah [sic, Tuscumbia?] Alabama, Hicks W. Shropshire refers to William Stropshire as his "aged uncle."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 17, 1827, for one-year service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

⁴ Perhaps I missed it, but I did not see any family record in this file.