

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ambrose Lipscomb W8252

Winnie Lipscomb

f49VA

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State of Virginia Randolph County: SS

On this 24 day of June 1833 personally appeared before me David Holder a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Randolph Ambrose Lipscomb a resident of said County of Randolph aged Eighty-one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers to wit: In the month of March in the year 1781 he was drafted for four months service in the Virginia militia in the Company commanded by Captain William Frost he resided in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia when he was drafted and was marched from thence to Richmond Virginia and from thence to Wilton's Camp and there joined the troops under the command of General Lafayette he has forgotten the name of the Colonel to whose Regiment he belonged he continued under General Lafayette until his four months expired when he was discharged he things [sic, thinks] his discharge was signed by Captain Frost he has lost it he returned to Frederick County Virginia and again in August or the 1st of September 1781 in the said County of Frederick he was drafted for three months in the militia in the company commanded by Captain George Bell was marched from thence to Little York in Virginia and joined General George Washington's Army at that place he does not recollect the name of the Colonel to whose Regiment he was then attached to he was at little York during the "Siege of York" when Lord Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781] to General Washington after the surrender he remained a short time to guard the prisoners and when the prisoners were marched from little York to Winchester Virginia he aided in guarding them to that place and when his three months expired he was discharged his discharge was signed by Captain Bell one Henry Cuttell was Lieutenant under Captain Bell. He has no documentary evidence neither does he know of any person by whom he can prove his services. To the first interrogatory directed by the regulations of the War Department he answers that he understood from his parents that he was born in the year 1762 [?]¹ but has forgotten the place. To the 2nd he answers that he has no record of his age. To the 3rd he answers that he was living in the County of Frederick when called into service after the Revolution he lived one year in King George County Virginia and then returned to Frederick County remained there some time & from thence to Randolph County Virginia his personal residence. To the 4th he refers to what he has already stated in his

¹ That would make him 71, not 81 as he stated above—bad math or mistake as to year of his birth?

declaration as containing as full an answer as he is enabled to make. To the 5th he makes the same answer. To the 6th the same and that his discharges have been lost. To the 7th he states that he is known to John Taggart, a clergyman John White & John Long in his present neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Ambrose Lipscomb, X his mark

[John Taggart, a clergyman, John Long and John White gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 7: On May 6, 1846 in Preston County Virginia, Winny Lipscomb, 78, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Ambrose Lipscomb, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in December 1785; that their marriage took place in King George County Virginia; that her maiden name was Winny Mardis; that she has no record of her marriage but refers to the register of the birth of her children; that her husband died May 18, 1841. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p. 8: On May 6, 1846 in Preston County Virginia, Henry Lipscomb gave a supporting affidavit as to the date of death of the veteran; his marriage to Winny and the register of the family record of the births of the children of the veteran and his wife signed by the affiant. He does not state his relationship, if any, to the veteran or his wife.]

[p 4-5: family register:

Lucy Lipscomb the Daughter of Ambrose Lipscomb & Winny his wife was born December 30, 1786

Richard Lipscomb the Son of Ambrose Lipscomb & Winny His Wife Was Born May 8, 1788

James Lipscomb the Son of Ambrose Lipscomb & Winny His Wife Was Born June 28, 1793

John Lipscomb the Son of Ambrose Lipscomb & Winny His Wife Was Born November 12, 1795

Samuel Hall the Son of Elijah Hall and Margaret Hall His Wife Was Born November the 7, 1796

Margaret Hall Departed This Life 1796 the 12 Day 1796

Levi Lipscomb Was Born February 11 Day 1798

Henry Lipscomb Was Born April 26 Day 1799[?]

Fielding Lipscomb Son of Ambrose Lipscomb & Winney his wife was born December 29th 1802

Eben Lipscomb Son of Ambrose & Winney his wife was born August 19th 1805

Catharine Lipscomb Daughter of Ambrose & Winny his wife was born September 18, 1808

S/ Henry Lipscomb

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Lipscomb". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]