

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Trimble W8791

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State of Kentucky Pulaski County, Sct.

On this 12th day of October in the year 1833 Personally appeared before Simeon Weaver an acting Justice of the Peace for Pulaski County, and a member of the Pulaski County Court, in the State aforesaid, said Court being a Court of Record established by the Constitution and laws of the State of Kentucky, William Trimble, a resident of said County & State of Kentucky aged about seventy-one years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath state, in consequence of his bodily Infirmary, he is unable to attend or appear in court before the Pulaski County Court, not having been able to leave his residence, or Room for a considerable time last past owing to his Infirm state of health aforesaid and the said William Trimble on his oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he volunteered in the Army of the United States in the month of September in the year 1777 in the County of Augusta & State of Virginia with Captain Joseph Patterson, Commanded by Colonel Dickenson [perhaps John Dickenson] in the Brigade of General Hann, to serve a tour of duty of three months during the Revolutionary War against the Indians hostile at that time, was marched from Stanton through Greenbrier to the Point on the Ohio River, and there remained or was stationed until the expiration of three months and was then discharged by said General Hann, and returned home to my residence in the County of Augusta. Afterwards to the best of this affiant's (William Trimble's) recollection, in the month of September in the year 1779, he served a tour of duty of three months as a substitute in the room of his Brother James Trimble, who was drafted to serve for three months against the Hostile Indians to wit the Tuscahaway Tribe of Indians marching from the Town of Stanton in said County of Augusta and State of Virginia under Captain William Henderson commanded by Colonel William Boyer [William Bowyer] & in the Brigade of General McIntosh, to the Town of said Tribe of Indians called at that time the Tuscahaway Towns, crossing the Ohio River at McIntosh's Fort or Garrison from thence to said Indian towns, at which place the said General McIntosh concluded or made a Treaty with said Indians, in the month of December or January following to the best of his the said William Trimble's recollection, When he was discharged having served out his Tower [tour] &c and then returned home to his residence in the said County of Augusta & State of Virginia. Afterwards, the said William Trimble states, in the month of December, in the year 1780, he was drafted to serve and perform a Tour of Military duty in the service of the United States against the British – in Company commanded by Captain James Trimble, in the Regiment of Colonel Sampson Matthews, was marched from the Town of Stanton in said County of Augusta to Fredericksburg – remaining there two or three days from thence to Gerico [Jericho] near the sea shore, marched through, the now City of Richmond thence through Petersburg & from thence to Gerico where the Troops were stationed & remained

till the expiration of the three months the time for which he was drafted he served as aforesaid, and was there Discharged or Dismissed from further service, & again returned home to his residence in the said County of Augusta & State of Virginia.

Afterwards, to the best of his the said William Trimble's recollection in the month of July, in the year 1781, or 82, he volunteered in the said County of Augusta Virginia to serve a Tour of Duty of three months in the service of the United States against Great Britain in the mounted Rifle Company commanded by Captain James Trimble, marched upwards of 200 miles in a direction towards New York.

The said William Trimble states that the Company & Troops to which he belonged during his servitude was, frequently, visited by Colonel Dick belonging to the regular Service or Army of the United States, and continued in said amounted Company 20 days & was then Discharge, but the time & place he cannot now precisely recollect, he being at that time very young, and it being a long time since, but to the best of his recollection it was about two months before the Surrender of Cornwallis, and then returned home to his place of Residence above mentioned in Augusta County Virginia, receiving a Discharge for a Tour of three months, in consequence of his having equipped himself as aforesaid by furnishing himself a horse &c the said William Trimble states that he has no documentary Evidence having lost or mislaid his several discharges for his services as above mentioned, and knows of no person or persons by whom he can establish his service, or who has a personal knowledge of them. But states the above named services were performed by him with embodied Corps called into service as he at the time understood and still believes by competent authority, and for the time during which all his said services as mentioned were performed & performing he was not engaged in any civil pursuit. And he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension, or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any state.

Answers to Interrogatories put to him as prescribed by the War Department (to wit) Answer to 1st Interrogatory, he the said William Trimble states on his oath that he was born in the County of Augusta & State of Virginia, the day month nor year not recollected having no record of his age, but supposes it was in the year 1760, as he was put on the muster roll at the age of sixteen years of age and that he had been on the muster roll to the best of his Recollection one year previous to his volunteering to perform the first tour of duty as in his Declaration stated.

Answer to 3rd Interrogatory (the 2nd having been answered in the first as to the Record of his age) he states on oath that he was living at the time of volunteering to perform the first Tour of duty as in his Declaration stated in the County of Augusta, in the State of Virginia, in which County he was born, and which said County of Augusta he continued to, and did live in during the Revolutionary War, except the time he was absent therefrom in the service of the United States.

To 4th Interrogatory, he states he volunteered to perform his first Tour of duty – (Substituted in the place of his Brother James Trimble in the second – and then was drafted when he performed his third Tour of duty and volunteered to perform the fourth Tour all of which appears in his annexed Declaration.

To 5th Interrogatory he the said William Trimble here again states that Colonel Dick of the regular Army frequently visited the Army or Troops to which he belonged during his Service, but being very young cannot recollect or state the regiments, he being kept out reconnoitering and he states that he has no recollection at this time of ever having seen the main or regular Army during his Services more than one time.

6th I received Discharges for the several tours performed by me as in my Declaration

mentioned, but have lost, or so mislaid them, that I cannot find them,

7th. He states he is known to Robert Gilmore and Christley Tarter of Pulaski County, and residing in his present neighborhood, by whom he can prove his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution, he further states that there is no Clergyman at this time residing in Pulaski County immediately in his Trimble's neighborhood.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ William Trimble

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William Trimble". The script is cursive and somewhat stylized, with the first letter 'W' being particularly large and prominent.

[Robert Gilmore I and Christley Tarter gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[f p. 12: On September 19, 1842 in Pulaski County Kentucky, Mary Trimble, seventy on the 14th day of April 1842, filed for a widow's pension under the laws of the United States; she states she married William Trimble April 19, 1787; the wedding took place in Greenbrier County Virginia; she was married by a Baptist preacher by the name of John Alderson; that her husband A record of their marriage and the births of their first three children, to wit, David, to James and Betsey Robeson Trimble; that her name prior to her marriage was Mary Flemen [Fleming?]; That her eldest child David was born January 20, 1788; that her husband died June 6, 1840 in Pulaski County Kentucky; that she and her husband had nine children to wit David, James, Betsy, William, Polly, John, Joicy, Letitha and Elsebath Trimble; that her husband moved from Greenbrier County to the state of Kentucky in October 1792. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$32.77 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for nine months in the Infantry and 20 days in the Cavalry.]