

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Green W8868 Lucy Green VA
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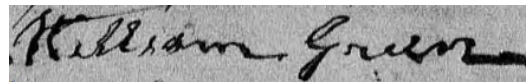
State of Kentucky } ss
Henry County } On this 10th day of February 1834 personally appeared before me Elijah Clubb,
a Justice of peace in and for Henry County and one of the Judges of the County Court for said county
William Green aged 80 years next September who being duly swon according to law doth on his oath
make the following declation in in order to obtain the benefits of an act of Congress passed the 7th of June
1832

This declarent states that he was residing in Culpeper County State of Virginia when he entered
the service of the United State and served as herein stated and under the following named officers that
in the year of 1777 [sic] a draft was ordered in said County of Culpeper for a tour of three months when
he the said declarent was drafted into the service for the above stated period and served under Capt James
Pendleton he states they rendezvoused at Culpeper cout house in the month of July as well as he now
remembers and was marched across the Rappahannock River at a place called Normans ford thence he
states they were marched through Faquier [sic: Fauquier] County into Stafford County thence to the
Potomac River and near a Mr Brents on said River [Col. William Brent's] he states they fell in with the
militia from Faquier and Prince William Counties he states that they were then marched to Brents house
where he states they were stationed but how long he does not at this period of time distinctly reckon
on arriving at Brents he states that the Brittish had landed and destroyed much of the property of Mr
Brents and had done some injury to his house [destroyed by troops under Lord Dunmore, 16 Jul 1776]
he states they were thence marched down the Potomac River for the pupose of ascertaining whether
Brittish had left the River or not. and after ascertaining the Brittish had left the county or rather water [7
Aug 1776] he states he was again marched up the country and was discharged by his said Capt Pendleton
in the month of Oct 1777 having served his three months

This declarent further states that after returning from this tour of duty that from his fidelity assiduity and
patriotism that he was promoted to the Captaincy of a Militia Company was commissioned sworn in and
acted as a Captain and that in the year of 1780 a call was made upon Culpeper County for either three or
four hundred men but which number he cannot say and having the command of a company he was
ordered by Coln James Barbour Commanding Coln of Culpeper County to notify his company to meet at
Barnetts ford on the Rapid Ann [sic: Rapidan] River prepared for a three months campain accordingly he
the said declarent did notify his company or caused them to be notified to rendezvous at said place of
rendezvous accordingly about the last of Sept 1780 he states that his company met them prepared and
equipt for the campain he states that at the same place of rendezvous there were Capt Henry Tole's [sic:
Henry Towles's] Company Capt William Bradley's Company and Capt Richard Nalle's Company
he state that after leaving this place of rendezvous they were marched to Orange Courthouse he states
that as Coln Barbour did not go with these four companies that William Bradly being the seignior Capt
had the command of Commanding Officer he states that they were thence marched from said orange
courthouse, through Louisa County thence through Goochland to the house of Coln Parish wher he was
station for a short period he further states that under the com of Capt William Bradley the four
Companies were marched to Petersburg where they remained for some time but how long he does not
recollect. they then marched to Richmond where the three months expired he and the other Cpts
discharged their men and returned home in decembr 1780

This declarent further states during the revolutionary war that many soldiers who had enlisted in the
regular service were frequently deserting and escaping and by this means the regular army was weakened
and confused and to prevent this desertion it was agreed by the Government that if any man would
apprehend and deliver to the army or to any officer belonging to the regular army any such deserter that
he should have credit for a three months tour of duty he further states that in the year of 1778 that he the

said William Green did apprehend a soldier by the name of Ethington who belonged to the regular army and had him tride at Germantown before two Magistrates he the said William Green did apply to John Strode of Culpeper County who had been a recruiting officer to appear on the trial of Ethington accordingly the said Strode appeared as a witness and on the trial made oath that the said Ethington had enlisted at Hunters Forge in Stafford County and the two magistrates found said Ethington guilty of deserting and delivered him to said declarent he states that he then carried the deserter and deposited him in Jail at Culpeper Courthouse until he had an opportunity of conveying him to Fredericksburg where an officer was stationed to received such deserters he states that he then sent said deserter to the officer and he was delivered to the regular officer in his name and he obtained a receipt for said deserter exempting him from a tour of duty as particularly specified in said receipt He states that he has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no living witness by whom he can prove said service 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 or Territory and that from old age and bodily infirmity that he cannot appear in open Court to make his declaration



Ques Put by the Magistrate

Que Where and in what year were you born

Ans I was born in Culpeper Cty State of Viginie in 1754

Que Have you any record of your age

Ans I have no written record of my age

Ques Where were you living when called into the service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where dou now live

Ans When I entered the service I was living in Culpper County State of Virginia where I lived until 1802 I then moved to Henry County Ky where I have lived ever since

Qus How were you called into the service

Ans I was once drafted once as a private for three months and once as a Capt I was called out for three months I have rendered other service which will shew in an amendment to this declaration

Qus State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served and such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect

Ans There were no regular officers where I served. on my first tour to the Potomac River there some companies of militia but I do not think they amounted to a regiment on my second tour there were but the four companies from Culpeper

Qus did you ever receive a discharge and by whom was it signed

Ans I never received a written discharge on my first tour I was verbally discharged by my Cap James Pendleton

Ques did you ever receive a Commission and by whom was it signed and what has become of it

Ans I did receive a captain's Commission and was qualified to said and acted under it (but I do not recollect by whom it was signed I was some few years after promoted to the rank of Coln and supposing that my Capt's Commission was of no longer use I was not careful to preserve it. I had even forgotten who had signed my Commission as Coln until last evening I was looking for my Commission and found my Colns Commission signed by Beverly Randolph

Qus State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood who can testify to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of Revolution

Ans I will name Samuel Jones Clergyman Major Benjamin Allen Lewis Endacut [Lewis Endicatt] and Stephen Shaw

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for Henry County William Green who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that independant of the service stated in the above

declaration that he did render to the united States some service as a Minute Man in the year of 1777 under Capt John Green from Culpeper County Virg and that from old age and a consequent loss of memory that he cannot swear positively to the precis length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he did not serve less than two mon ths as a Minute Man under Capt John Green this 10th day February 1834

I John Blackwell [pension application S30873] of Shelby County [KY] aged 75 years do hereby Certify that I was residing in Culpepper County Stat of Virginia in the year of 1780 when a draft was ordered in said County of Culpeper and I do know that willim green who has subscribed and sworn to this declaration on the 10th day of february 1834 was in the year of 1780 a Commisioned Captain, Sworn in according to law & acted as a Captain and met his Company sometime towards the Last of september At Barnets ford on the rapid ann River according to generl orders and marched into the servis as such and was gone three months I was Living in Culpeper County and was drafted into the sarvis and surved under him.

John hisXmark Blackwell

[28 March 1834]

NOTE: On 6 Sep 1838 Lucy Green, 83, applied for a pension stating that she married William Green in Fauquier County on 18 May 1775, and he died on 8 April 1835. She submitted the family record kept by William Green and transcribed below.

[The family record is torn at the places indicated by *.]

William Green and Lucy Blackwell Was Marrd May 18th 1775

Lucy Blackwell Green Daughter of the above was Born March 15 1776

Susannah Green Daughter of the above was Born February the 27 1778

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Robert Green Son of the above Was Born May 13 1781

Elizabeth Green Daughter of the above was Born March 6 1783

Joseph Green as above Was Born December 7 1784

[*]ey Green as above [*] Born Sept[*] 1786