

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Hall W8884

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State of Kentucky }
Montgomery County Sct}

On this 24th day of September 1840 Personally appeared before me Robert B Gay a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Urcilea Hall a resident of Montgomery County and State of Kentucky aged Seventy Eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 4th 1836

That she is the widow of William Hall deceased who Volunteered in the service of his Country for the term of three years in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia in the latter part of the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Eight or the forepart of Seventeen hundred and Seventy Nine and served as Sergeant in a Company of Cavelry Commanded by Captain Pemberton the said William Hall faithfully served out his term of service and was honourably discharged but what has become of said discharge the declarant does not know, She further declares that she was married to the said William Hall in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia in the month of November Seventeen hundred and Seventy Eight (1778) [see endnote]. That her husband the aforesaid William Hall died in the Month of February Eighteen hundred and Eleven (1811) And that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. She further declares she knows of no record of her marriage, But has a record of the age of her Children in her husbands family prayer book which record she will have filed with this declaration

Urcilea herXmark Hall

The deposition of Grayce Forquenan a citizen of Montgomery County Ky taken this 24th day of September 1840 to be read as evidence in favour of the application of Mrs Urcilea Hall for a pension under the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836

Deponent being Eighty nine years old Deposeth and saith that she is the sister of William Hall Deceased and well recollects when he was married to Urcilea Woodward which marriage took place in Bedford County in the State of Virginia sometime during the Revolutionary War But the Deponents memory does not serve her to give the date but she well recollects that shortly after said marriage she lent her Sister inlaw Urcilea the present applicant, thread enough to make into linen to make her Brother William Hall two Suits of Clothes to wear to the army, And she recollects he did go in to the army as a light horse man and wore the said Clothes but how long he served or at what time he went in to the army the Deponent does not now recollect But he went in shortly after his marriage She knows her Brother William Hall died upwards of Twenty years ago and that her Sisterinlaw Urcilea Hall has remained a widow ever since. And further saith not

Grayce herxMark Torquenan

NOTES:

On 10 May 1841 Urcillea Hall, 79, amended her declaration by stating that she had been married to William Hall in 1777 rather than 1778, and that "her husband the said William served his three years as a sergeant in a company of Cavelry commanded by Capt Thomas Pemberton who belonged to Colonel Blands [Theodorick Bland's] regiment."

The file contains a copy of a bond signed on 5 Nov 1777 by William Hall and Robert Alexander for the marriage of Hall to Usley Woodward. On 24 Sep 1840 Green Hall, son of William and Urcilla Hall, stated that he had always understood from his father that he had served as a sergeant of cavalry and that the family record transcribed below had been written by John Howe, a schoolmaster, 46 years earlier.

Richmond Hall Born 12th of Sept 1779
Arthur Hall Born 25th of August 1781
Green Hall Born May 30th 1782
Phany Hall Born 5th of May 1784
William Hall Born January 27th 1786
Bazil Hall Born the 29th of March 1788
Betsey Hall Born July 1790