

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Williams, W9116

Elizabeth Lambert¹ f56NC

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State of Kentucky, County of Estill }

On this the 31 day of March 1852 or shall he appeared before me Jephtha Winburn an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Nancy Hawkins aged Sixty-Two years a resident of this County who being 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 acts of Congress passed 7 July 1838 – 4th of March 1843, 7th of June 1844 and the second of February 1848 and Joint Resolution of August 16th, 1842 to wit, that she is the only living child of Edward and Elizabeth Williams deceased who were residents of Madison County Kentucky. Edward Williams was an officer in the Army of the Revolution for several years she thinks as a Captain and was of the North Carolina militia she has often heard his services in the Army of the Revolution spoken of by many persons. Her aforesaid father & mother were married in the year 1789 in the County of Madison and State of Kentucky and that her aforesaid Father died in the year 1791 and her aforesaid mother then married Mathias Lambert who died in the year 1836 as she believes in her aforesaid mother died on the 10th day of June 1851 she is most respectfully ask the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions to consider her claim under the aforesaid acts of Congress to be allowed the certificate evidencing the same may be enclosed to her attorney James M. Smith of Mount Vernon Kentucky.

S/ Nancy Hawkins, X her mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 31st day of March 1852,

S/ Jephtha Winburn, JPEC

[p 9: Solomon Lambert, applicant's half brother, gave a supporting affidavit as to the reputation of Edward Williams as a soldier of the Revolution.]

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State of Kentucky, County of Madison }

On this the 5th day of May 1852 personally appeared before me Asa Smith Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid Nancy Hawkins who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration to wit That she is the daughter of Edward Williams deceased who was a Captain of the North Carolina militia and served several years as she believes in that capacity in the War of the Revolution and of Elizabeth Williams his wife both now deceased that the said Edward Williams and Elizabeth her Father and Mother were married in Madison County Kentucky in the year 1789 that her said father died in

¹ Former widow

the year 1791 and that her said mother afterwards intermarried with one Mathias Lambert who died in the year 1836 leaving said Elizabeth this affiant's mother a widow and did not again marry but died a widow on the 10th day of June 1851 she further states that her said mother at her decease left Surviving her besides this affiant who is her only Surviving child by the said Edward Williams and the children by said Mathias Lambert to wit Solomon Lambert [&] John Lambert and who with this declarant are the only Surviving children of the said Elizabeth Lambert former widow of said Edward Williams deceased. She makes this supplement declaration for the purpose of obtaining for herself and any other parties entitled the pension due her said mother at her decease under the Acts of the 7th July 1738 in any other Acts or Resolutions of Congress she further states that she believes that the only reason her said mother did not apply for a pension in her lifetime was that she did not know that she was entitled to a pension as the widow of said Edward Williams after having married the second time Especially as said Lambert² her second husband was a Pensioner as she drew a Small Pension as his widow and that she makes this supplement statement in Madison County to save trouble and calls instead of Estill County Kentucky her place of Residence.

S/ Nancy Hawkins, X her mark

[p 14: Certified Return of marriage given by the Clerk of the County Court of Madison County Kentucky indicating that records in his files read as follows: “The rites of marriage celebrated between Edward Williams and Elizabeth Hopper February 12, 1789 by me
Signed Christopher Harris”]

[p 49: On April 1, 1852 in Montgomery County Kentucky, Cassie Walker, aged 90, gave testimony that she was well acquainted with Edward Williams and his wife Elizabeth Hopper, the daughter of William Hopper; that Edward and Elizabeth were married in Madison County Kentucky about 1789 and had one child whose name was Nancy; that Edward Williams took a boat to New Orleans in 1791 and “drowned” [drowned].]

[p 24: Certificate of the North Carolina Comptroller of Public Accounts showing payments made to one Edward Williams as follows:

State of North Carolina
Comptroller's Office

I, William S. Clarke, Comptroller of public accounts in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears of record in my office, among the payments made by said State to sundry persons for Military services in the Revolutionary War, as follows, to wit:

Edward Williams

Book 2, 187, page 49, 30 \$100.00 specie	
- - - - 77 350.00	-
- (111) 25 - 32 311.00	-
- - - - 32 316.00	-
- 5 - 20 39, 813.00	-
- C 13 - 61 326.00	-
- - - - 77 326 \$10.00	-
- - - - 12 - 33 322.00	-
Vol. C. 10, 2nd 1037 131.00	-
Military Indent or Army Certificate, No 2255 130 \$10 specie	
Bills - - - - - 1071 318.00	-
Salisbury ditto - - - - 7428 315.00	-
Bills - - - - - 1605 345.00	-

I furthermore certify that it appears by Kingston's list page 80 that Edward Williams was a Captain in the year 1777 and by the proceedings of the General Assembly that Edward Williams was a Captain October 1777.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal of office this 8th day of April 1857.

Wm S. Clarke Comptroller

[Veteran's former widow was awarded a posthumous pension in the amount of \$450 per annum for her former husband's service as a Captain in the North Carolina militia.]