

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Pollard W9237

Keziah

f47VA

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: to wit

On this 5th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Sessions now Sitting, William Pollard, a resident of Spartanburg District, aged 73 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 7 June 1832. – That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein Stated. – I entered the service with the drafted militia in Amelia [County] on the 9th February 1779 under Captain Jarrald [?, William Fitzgerald?] And was marched to Halifax on the Roanoke [River] [in] North Carolina and joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel Mason [David Mason] and Lieutenant Colonel Burrell [?] And marched to Salisbury where the whole Regiment convened. From there we marched to Camden South Carolina and from there we marched and joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] near Stono. And was at the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] – after the Battle we remained under command of General Lincoln until the last of August when our Regiment was discharged having served nearly seven months. – About the first of November 1780 I again went into the service, under Captain Ford [either Lewis Ford or William Ford] – and served a tour of six weeks at Cabbin Point [Cabin Point], where Colonel Dalmon [?] [wild guess, Christian Charles de Klauman] commanded, until the arrival of General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg]. – And were then marched to Petersburg and discharged. In April 1781 I again went into service under Captain Anderson [perhaps Paulin Anderson], in Colonel Mariweather [Meriwether's] Regiment, at Amelia, Virginia, and marched to a place called Wilton below Richmond where we met with Cornwallis' Army, were compelled to retreat up to the County of Culpeper, Ware [we] remained until discharged, having served about two months although we were called out only for six weeks – I was afterwards called out on two occasions but cannot recollect the time of service having been discharged before we could reach the point of Service. – And finally left the early Service of the [after the] capture of Cornwallis – I have no documentary evidence of my services, having never gotten any written discharge. I refer to James Lawrence and John Wingo¹ who served with me. – I was born in Amelia County Virginia on the 19th August 1759 as I have been informed by my ancestors, but have no record of my age in my possession – I resided in Amelia during my services and have resided in Spartanburg district [since] 1786 or 7. – For my character for truth and moral conduct I refer to the Reverend Mr. Grambling – John Chapman Esquire, M. N. Chapman and any other person who knows me. – I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare my name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

¹ [John Wingo R11716](#)

S/ William Pollard, X his mark

[John Grambling, a clergyman, and James Lawrence

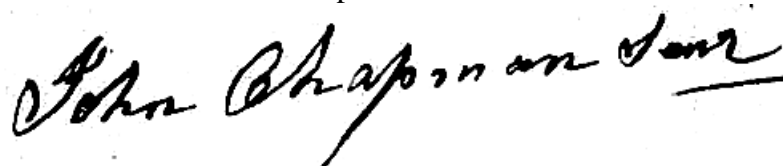
South Carolina Spartanburg District: Personally came before me the subscribing Magistrate, William Pollard who being sworn on his oath in addition to the foregoing Declaration saith that he served under Captain Jarrald and Colonel Mason during the Revolutionary War seven months. – Commencing on the 9th of February 1779 –. That he served six weeks under Captain Ford and Colonel Dolman, in 1780. In 1781 he served two months under Captain Anderson, and Colonel Meriwether, that he afterwards served to short tours, but not recollecting the term of service their own, he makes no claim therefore – and only claims for ten months and 12 days service.

S/ William Pollard, X his mark

South Carolina Spartanburg district: Personally came John Chapman Senior before me who after being sworn according to law deposeth that he was raised in the same County & neighborhood with William Pollard and was intimately acquainted with him from his Boyhood, that he was with him several days at Wilton while in the service of his Country and that according to common report and the best of his recollection all the items of William Pollard's declaration are truly and correctly set forth.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the first March 1833.

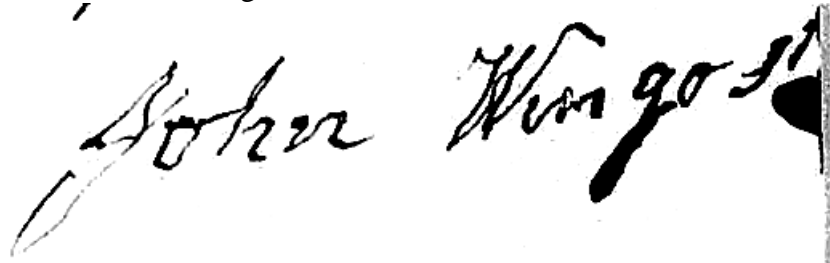
S/ John Chapman Senior

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Chapman Senior". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: Personally appeared John Wingo Senior before me who after being sworn according to law saith that to the best of his recollection that the date 1780 he served a tour of six weeks with William Pollard at Cabbin Point under Captain Ford in the State service of Virginia and was marched from thence to Petersburg and discharged. – He further saith that he served a second tour with William Pollard under Captain Anderson in Colonel Meriwether's Regiment was marched to Wilton below Richmond from there retreated before Cornwallis to Culpeper County & was there discharged having served to the best of his recollection about two months – he further saith that the whole declaration set forth by William Pollard is correct & true according to the best of his knowledge & recollection.

Sworn & subscribed before me first March 1833

S/ John Wingo Sr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Wingo Sr.". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

[f p. 15: On June 15, 1840 in Spartanburg district South Carolina, Keziah Pollard, 78, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of William Pollard; that she

married him in December 1787 but she cannot remember the day of the month but distinctly remembers it was during the Christmas holidays; that her husband died July 25, 1837 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark. John Wingo gave a supporting affidavit.]

[f p. 18: copy of a marriage bond dated December 22, 1787 issued in Amelia County Virginia to William Pollard and Thomas Morris the marriage of William Pollard to Keziah Seay.]

[Facts in file: Isaac Pollard, the son of the veteran and his widow was living in 1840; he is the only child of the veteran referred to in this file.] Him

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$34.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months and 12 days in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]