

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Adam Zumwalt W9651

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Missouri County of Lincoln: SS

On this seventeenth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State aforesaid now sitting at Troy in the County of Lincoln aforesaid Adam Zumwalt a resident of Cuivre township in St. Charles County & State aforesaid, aged seventy-seven 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 June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. [One or more illegibly faint words] the said Zumwalt volunteered under Captain Samuel Wilson [name is very faint and I am not certain of the first name] (when he the said Zumwalt was about 17 years of age) who belonged to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Louis [Charles Lewis] who lived in what was called the Cow Pasture, about 12 miles from the Warm Springs in the State of Virginia and served about 3 or 4 months and was discharged, the above service was in what was called the French war.

He was afterwards drafted under the command of Captain McCoy [John McCoy] (of Augusta County Virginia) for the purpose of guarding the frontiers. And that he served under said McCoy & was engaged in ranging & scouring the frontiers & guarding the Country about Tigers Valley, Buchanan & West fort. That he was afterwards drafted under Lieutenant Thomas Wright (of Augusta County Virginia)] and stationed at Clover Leak in Green brier [Greenbrier County] for 3 months and again discharged. That he afterwards again volunteered under Captain Bell for 3 months & again stationed at Clover Lick & also at what was called the Big Level (the name of the County does not recollect but thinks it was Green Brier) – That he was afterwards drafted under Colonel Hull [Peter Hull?] (of Augusta County Virginia) and was engaged in several short excursions against the Tories of Virginia. That he afterwards emigrated west to what is now Kentucky. And that he was again called on to go as a spy under Captain McConnell under whom he served in the neighborhood of Lexington, Cincinnati, Big bone lick & other places. That while he belonged to McConnell's company the company was called on by General George R Clark [George Rogers Clark] (who was then stationed at Louisville) to go on an expedition against the Indians in which expedition there were 3 Indian towns destroyed on the Miami [River]. The last mentioned services were rendered about the close of the Revolutionary War.

¹ The digital image of this document displayed on Footnote.com is illegibly faint. It is somewhat better and somewhat legible on the HeritageQuest.com version. Consequently, the following transcription of the veteran's application is taken from HeritageQuest.com.]

And the said Zumwalt further states that he has no education at all & therefore has not been able to keep any memorandum of the dates at which the above services were rendered nor can he from memory give the same.

He further says that he cannot recollect the length of time he served at each time he was in the service but that he is certain that he was at least 2 years in the service and all.

That he does not recollect by name any battle that he was in but that he was in several skirmishes with the Indians during the time of his service.

Questions by the judge.

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in the State of Virginia about 25 miles above Winchester. Do not know the year in which I was born but think I was about 18 years of age at the beginning of the revolution.

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans. I know of no record of my age – And can only tell my age by the age my mother gave when I was bound out to learn a trade – soon after I enlisted & never returned to my trade.

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans. I was living in Augusta County Virginia when called into service. I lived 12 or 15 years in Kentucky after the war – then removed to the place I now live in St. Charles County Missouri & have lived there ever since.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans. I was first drafted under Captain McCoy – next volunteered under Captain McCoy. I never served as a substitute. I was after drafted as appears in my statement above.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans. General George Clark is the only regular officer I served under. I was but little down at the camp was generally engaged as a spy on the frontiers

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans. I received a discharge from Captain Hull which I have lost.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State whatever. Line Sworn to and subscribed in open Court September 17th A.D. 1832

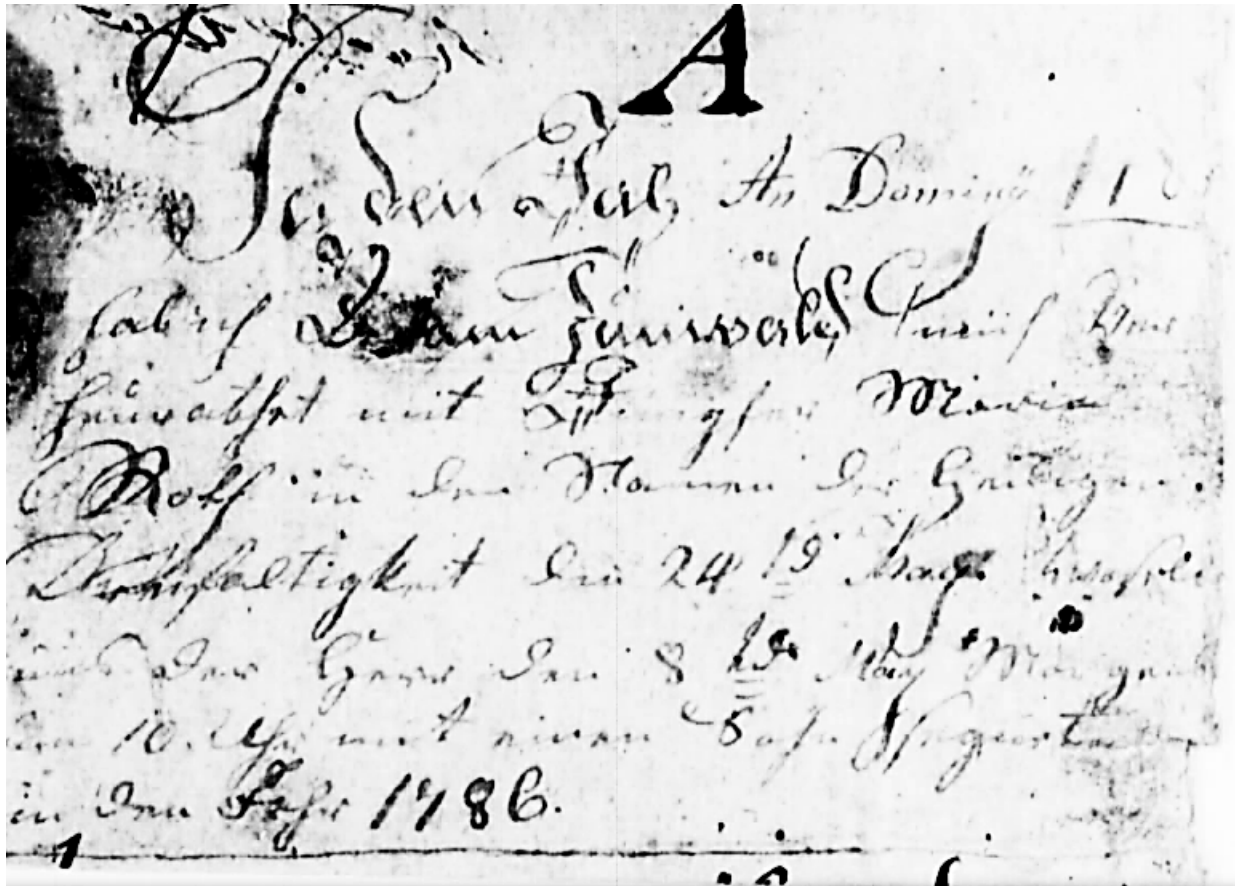
S/ Francis Parker, Clerk

S/ Adam Zumwalt, X his mark

[p. 18: On August 20, 1839 in Warren County Missouri, Mary Zumwalt, a resident of Elkham Township in the County and State aforesaid aged 73, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Adam Zumwalt, a pensioner for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$80 per annum; that she married him May 24, 1785; that her husband died August 23rd, 1834; and that she remains his widow.]

[p 8: On August 20, 1839 in Warren County Missouri, Solomon Zumwalt gave testimony that he is the son of Adam Zumwalt and his widow Mary Zumwalt and that the paper he presents marked A is the original family record showing the marriage of his parents; that he is 32 years of

age; that he does not understand the German language; that his father was raised by German parents and could neither read nor write the English language; that his father could not write the German language but could read it tolerably well; that his parents were married in Fayette County Kentucky



Am 24. May 1785. Adam Zumwalt und Maria Roth
haben einen Sohn geboren, dessen Name
ist Adam Zumwalt. Er ist am 8. May 1786
geboren. Die Eltern sind Adam Zumwalt
und Maria Roth. Das Jahr 1786.

[p. 17: partial translation: "May 24, 1785, Adam Zumwalt and Maria Roth [looks more like Maria Rolf to me, but I don't know anything about the German language] were married and a son was born on May 8, 1786." "Translated from German Script Sept. 20, 1929 [illegible signature]"]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843.]