

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Gamble S10720

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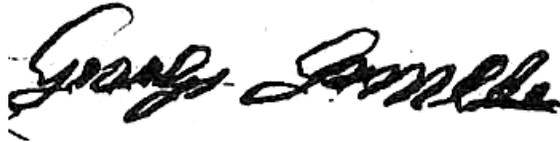
### Commonwealth of Virginia, Washington County

On the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1834 personally appeared before me Robert Stewart a justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid George Gamble a resident of the said county in the seventy ninth year of his life and who from bodily infirmity in unable to attend at court in order to make this declaration, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by The Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832—That he served in the years 1777-1779-1780 and 1781 as hereinafter stated. A Captain Boyd of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania made a call for volunteers and the said Gamble first went into service in the year 1777 under Capt. Brown of said county of Lancaster and marched first near to Paoli, near where Genl Wayne [Anthony Wayne] was defeated. Genl Wayne joined us that night. We then marched to Redding Furnace—from thence to a place called the Trap near the Schuylkill River and there joined Genl Washington and marched all night and engaged the British troops at Germantown next morning. From thence we retreated to a place called White March Hills where we had a skirmish with the British troops and where Genl Irvin was wounded and taken prisoner. Here the said Gamble received a verbal discharge after having performed a tour of service of two months. In the month of December of the same year 1777 he enrolled himself as a volunteer in a company commanded by Captain John Garner belonging to Col. Gibbon's Regiment. They marched from Brandywine to the White Horse; from thence to Valley Forge, where they joined the army under Genl Washington. From Valley Forge the company of Capt. Garner was marched to the Frankfort Bridge and here the said Gamble was verbally discharged having served another tour of two months. The said Gamble then removed to Washington County in the State of Virginia. In the month of February 1779 the said Gamble enrolled himself as a volunteer in a company commanded by Captain Aaron Lewis of Col. Evan Shelby's Regiment and marched to the Long Island on Holstein [River]. After remaining there a considerable time we were joined by other troops. We then went on the Campaign against the Cherokees called the Chickamauga Campaign and having destroyed many of their villages or towns we returned home and the said Gamble was verbally discharged having served four months. In the fall of the year he enrolled as a volunteer in a company commanded by Capt. William Edmondson [also spelled William Edmiston] of Col. Campbell's [William Campbell's] Regiment of Washington County militia and was on the expedition to King's Mountain [October 7, 1780] and in that battle. On this tour he served two months, at least, having after the capture of the British troops marched to Wilkes Courthouse to guard the prisoners. He also volunteered under the command of Capt. Arthur Bowen who marched to guard wagons employed in conveying lead from the Lead mine on New River to the Moravian towns in North Carolina and was verbally discharged after served two months. He also served a

tour of two months under Capt. William Edmondson as well as he can recollect in the year 1781 up New River against the Tories and was verbally discharged. He also served a tour of ~~two months~~ as a volunteer under Lieut. Andrew Kincannon on New River against the Tories and was verbally discharged after serving the hill was at six weeks. He also enrolled himself as a volunteer under the command of Capt. William Edmondson Junior and marched to Osborne's settlement on New River; thence to Baker's settlement; thence to Pendleton settlement in pursuit of the Tories and was verbally discharged after a service of two months. He therefore says that he faithfully served his country seventeen months and two weeks during the revolutionary War as a private soldier. 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ George Gamble



S/ Robert Stewart

We G.M. Crawford a clergyman residing in the neighborhood of the above George Gamble and Wm. Byars residing in the same neighborhood hereby certify that we are well acquainted with the said Gamble who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration; that we believe him to be in his seventy ninth year of age; that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ G. M. Crawford

S/ Wm Byars

S/ Robert Stewart

At a court held for Washington County the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1834

The declaration of George Gamble, an old revolutionary soldier, made before Robert Stewart, Gent, a justice of the peace in & for said County, was produced in court, and the said court do hereby declare their opinion, after the investigation of the matter that the above applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states. The court further certifies that it appears to them that George M. Crawford who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman resident in said Gamble's neighborhood and that Col William Byars who has also signed it lives in the same neighborhood and that they both are respectable and credible persons and their statements are entitled to credit. The court also certifies that Col William Snodgrass and Captain James Keys who have given affidavits in this matter are credible persons.

I, David Campbell, clerk of the court of Washington County do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings in the matter of the application of George Gamble for a pension and that Robert Stewart, Gent, before whom they were had and before whom the affidavits of Col William Snodgrass & Capt James Keys were given is a justice of the peace and his signatures are as a justice of the peace and his signatures are genuine. In testimony whereof I have signed my name & affixed by seal of office this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1834.

S/ David Campbell

Washington County, to wit:

This day Col William Snodgrass<sup>1</sup> of Sullivan County Tennessee, personally appeared before me, Robert Stewart, a justice of the peace in and for the County of Washington aforesaid and being duly sworn deposeth that he has read the foregoing declaration of George Gamble and he believes the statements therein to be true. This affiant was with the said Gamble on two of the campaigns which he mentions, to wit: the one against the Chickamauga towns and the one to King's Mountain and he believes his statements to be correct.

Sworn to and signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 1834.

S/William Snodgrass



S/Robert Stewart

Washington County, to wit:

This day Captain James Keys<sup>2</sup> of this County personally came before the undersigned justice of the peace in and for the said County and being duly sworn deposeth that he has read the foregoing declaration of George Gamble and believes the statements made therein to be true. This affiant was also on the campaigns against the Chickamauga towns and King's Mountain and is satisfied that what the said Gamble states about his services on these campaigns is true.

Sworn to and signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1834.

S/James Keys



S/Robert Stewart

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$58.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831 for service as a private in the Pennsylvania and Virginia militia.]

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<sup>1</sup> [William Snodgrass X927](#)

<sup>2</sup> [James Keys \(Keyes\) S15907](#)