

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William York R11946

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The State of Ohio, Darke County} SS

On this 18th day of October A.D. 1852, personally appeared in open Court, in the Probate Court of the County of Darke and State of Ohio, Newbury York of said County, aged sixty-seven years who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement in order, own behalf of himself and other children of William York late of the County of Hall and State of Indiana, to obtain the benefit as such and heirs of the provisions of the several Acts of Congress granting petitions to revolutionary Soldiers, and particular by the Act of 1828.

That said William York as deponent is informed and believes, enlisted as a private soldier in the Army of the United States about the commencement of the War of the Revolution about the year 1777 in the State of North Carolina, but the Town from which, and the precise time of his enlistment Deponent cannot state. Said William York about the commencement of the War lived in the State of Virginia near the North Carolina line. Deponent is informed said William York was taken prisoner by the British, and remained some time in captivity, subsequently was exchanged or made his escape and went into the service again in the State of North Carolina. The names of the officers under whom, and the number of the Regiment in which he served, except he is informed, he served a part of the time under Captain Dixon, are not known to Deponent, nor the precise period of his service, but that he enlisted during the war, and continued in service until the end of said Revolutionary War when he received an honorable discharge but which deponent says he supposes is now lost or destroyed, as it cannot now be found – But Deponent states, about 25 years ago of hearing said William York and one Martin Nickles talking about the discharge of said William York, and he said that he had his discharge, but Deponent has not heard of it since.

Deponent further states that said William York was married to Lydia Bullon, probably about the year A.D. 1781, but the precise time he is not certain, in North Carolina, and had by her children and heirs at law as follows: Aaron York who was drowned in 1820, aged about 40 years and left a widow and two children living, who went South about 10 days after said Aaron's death, and have never been heard of since by this deponent – Next Joseph York, who died when about two weeks old – Mary, who married Thomas J. Moore, and last fall was living in Greencastle Indiana, Newbury York the Deponent who now lives in Darke County, Ohio, aged sixty-seven years – William York who died aged about 13 years, leaving no heirs – Jephtha York who died in 1845, leaving a widow, two boys and five girls, all of whom were living last fall in Cass County, Indiana – Mahala York, who married John Williams, and died in 1827 in Preble County, Ohio, leaving a husband and seven children but only three are now living – Diamy York who married John Winegardner, and now lives in Cass County, Indiana, --Clementa York who married James Elliot and now lives in Cass County, Indiana – Clarissa York who married John Mattox and now lives in Quite County, Indiana.

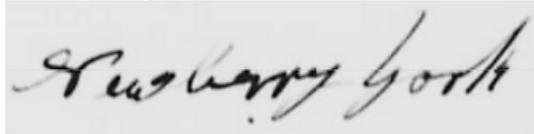
Deponent further states that his father William York died as he is informed and believes, on the 6th day of September A.D. 1839 in Cass County, Indiana and was as he thinks about 84 years of age at the time of his death – Deponent further states that his said father left a widow, Lydia at York, to whom he was married as aforesaid, who, was he is informed & believes died as his widow in the Spring of 1841 in Cass County, Indiana, aged about 79 years.

Deponent further states that soon after the close of said Revolutionary War, not more than a year, if that long, he [deponent's father] moved, to Warren County, State of Georgia, but which County has been since divided and that part called Columbia County, where he resided about 21 or two years. He then moved to Preble County, Ohio, where he resided until about A.D. 1835, and then removed to Cass County Indiana where he died as aforesaid – Deponent knows of no documentary evidence except what may be found at the War and State departments, to prove the services of his father, nor does he know of any person now living, by whom said service can be proved, as those who served with him all probably did. Deponent has frequently from his earliest recollection heard his father speaking and talking about his being in the Revolutionary War and the Battles he was in, and he thinks he named the Battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and others, and of captivity and hardships & privations endured. Deponent has heard his father talk of his house being burnt by the British, in North Carolina, when all his household furniture, which was small, was destroyed. Deponent has seen his father have Continental money, which he said he got for his services in said war, and one Bill his father gave him, which Deponent kept a long time but supposes it is lost now.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 18th day of October 1852

S/ John Wharry, Probate Judge

S/ Newbury York

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Newbury York". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.