Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Williams¹ R19105

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Pension office may 26, 1845

I certify that I have examined the claim of the administrator of the late Captain John Williams, deceased, who was a Captain in the Virginia State Troops: and I find that there is still due you under the Act of the 5th of July 1832, entitled "an act to provide for liquidating and paying certain claims of the State of Virginia," half-pay from the 9th of December 1781, when said Williams left the service, to the 3rd of September 1783, from which last date half pay was allowed by the Treasury Department in January 1834. My opinion is the claim should be allowed at the rate of \$240 per annum from December 9, 1781 to September 3, 1783, and that the amount due is payable to James A. Girault Administrator of John Williams, deceased S/ Commissioner of Pensions

Approved Secretary of War

"John Williams deceased Captain of Artillery Virginia State Troops Half pay allowed from February 6 & September 3, 83, October 3, 50"

Pension office October 3, 1850

I certify that I have examined the claim of the Administrator of John Williams deceased who was a Captain of Artillery in the Virginia State Troops, for an additional allowance of half pay under the Act of July 5, 1832, and I am of the opinion that the claim should be allowed at the rate of \$300 per annum from the 6th of February 1783 to the 3rd of September 1783, and that the amount is payable to Ferdinand W Risque, Attorney of John R Williams Administrator of the said John Williams deceased.

Signed

J. P. Edwards **Commissioner of Pensions**

Approved Secretary of the Interior

¹ Va. Half Pay Act July 5, 1832 See N. A. Acc. No. 874-050 193 A, Half Pay John Williams

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Addendum to John Williams R19105 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 21 May 2023.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

I hereby certify that John Williams enlisted as a Cadet in the State Artillery in August 1777; that he was made an officer in that regiment in June 1777 & Captain in April 1780, & that he is now a Supernumerary.

Feb'y 24th 1783

George Muter Col [VAS803] L. G. R.

NOTE: Other documents relating to the claim for half pay are available on fold3.com incorrectly associated by the Pension Office with John Williams W6511.]