Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of William Wash S32046 GA VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 8 Dec 2016.

State of South Carolina

Edgefield District }

On this 29th day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas for Edgefield District State of South Carolina, William Wash, a resident of Edgefield Dist in the state aforesaid, aged 79 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the service of the United States in the fall of the year 1775 with Capt Thomas Scott, and served in the 3^d Virginia regiment. He resided when he entered the service in Louisa County Virginia, and was marched to Savannah Georgia where his company joined the regiment commanded by Col. Elbert [Samuel Elbert, 2nd Georgia Battalion of Foot] was also under the command of Col. Scriven [sic: James Screven, 3rd Georgia Battalion of Foot] and Col Ray [sic: Robert Rae] that he was at the battle and siege of Savannah [24 Sep - 19 Oct 1779] and was there taken prisoner, and confined for seven months at the end of which time he made his escape and returned home. He left the service in the fall of 1779. He hereby relinguishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state that witness is apprised or knows of.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

William Worsh

Ashly hill [see endnote] 5th Sept'r. 1782

This will certify that William Wash a Serjt in the Virginia line has to serve to the 17th Oct'r. 1782, at which time he is entitled to his discharge;

Given under my hand Thomas Posey Lt Col



NOTES:

Ashley Hill in South Carolina, just south of Middleton Place plantation, was the headquarters of Gen. Nathanael Greene's Southern Army.

On 24 Jul 1835 Wash applied to have his pension transferred to Randolph County GA where he had moved because he "was enable to attend to my business and my children wished to move and settle in the state of Georgia Therefore I moved with them with whom I now live." This application states that Wash "belonged to the company commanded by Captain Cluff Shelton [sic: Clough Shelton BLWt740-300] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Col. Thomas Posey" of Virginia. A roll of Capt. Clough Shelton's company covering a period up to 1April 1782 shows that Sgt. William Wash had six months remaining in his enlistment, and a roll for the period up to 1 Sep 1782 shows one month and 17 days remaining. http://revwarapps.org/b52.pdf

William Wash's son, W. W. Wash, Jr., also sent a letter regarding the transfer. Another document states that William Wash moved to Randolph County GA in Dec 1834 with his son Hartwell J. Wash.