## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of William Scally S39065 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## District of West Tennessee

William Scally a citizen of the County of Davidson in the State of Tennessee came before me and claimed to be placed on the pension list of the United States on account of his services as a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that he enlisted in the Service of the United States as a Soldier in the year 1776 under the command of Captain William Fountain of the first Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Green and served one year, and enlisted next under Captain William Croghan of the 4th Virginia Regiment and served three years, was at the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] and at the battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] then serving in the horse under Colonel Washington [William Washington] was at the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] and was wounded there, that he served until the end of the war, and never received a discharge – that he is in his seventy sixth year that he is very infirm, that he has no property that he is both clothed and fed by the hand of Charity therefore much needs the aid of his Government. That some short time ago he saw William Croghan who has signed the enclosed paper, and was advised that it would do without his affidavit. That it is totally out of his power to go into the State of Kentucky where Major Croghan lives to take his deposition. That he never has had a pension from the United States or any State government.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 2nd day of July 1818 S/ John McNairy, District Judge S/ William Scally, X his mark

I William Croghan<sup>1</sup> formerly Major of the 4th Virginia Regiment in the Service of the United States, do Certify that the bearer hereof William Scally was enlisted and done his duty as a Soldier in the service of the United States upwards of 9 months in the year 1776. S/W. Croghan

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[The above document being attested as being in the handwriting of William Croghan by Fost<sup>r</sup> Cosby, June 17th, 1818]

District of West Tennessee Davidson County

On this 25th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record by statute of the State of Tennessee, for said District of West Tennessee William Skelby [sic] aged seventy-seven years resident in said County of Davidson who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war in the first Regiment of the Virginia line in the company commanded by Captain William Croghan; & is now on the Revolutionary Pension Roll by Certificate of the Honorable J C Calhoun dated the 5th of April 1818. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income or property of any kind of which to make a schedule. Has no occupation, & has no children with him.

S/ John Scally

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 25 July 1820 S/ Nathan Ewing, Clerk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 2, 1818, for service as a private for 4 years in the Virginia Continental line.]