Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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Pension application of Edlyne Willoughby (Willoughly) S7941
Transcribed by Will Graves

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Original Claim

Declaration in order to be placed on the Pension list, for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of an Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved the 15th day of May 1828 – I Edline Willoughby [sic] a resident Citizen of the County of Anson in the State of North Carolina do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental Army of the Revolution for and during the War and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain White's Company in the first Regiment of the Virginia Line – and I also declare that I afterwards received a certificate for the reward of \$80 to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th day of May 1778 and I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the Pension list of the United States.

S/A. H. Brandon, JP

S/ Edlyne Willoughby

Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
9 April 1829

Edline Willoughby of __ in the County of Anson in the State of North Carolina has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain White's Company, in the first regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department, Third Auditor's Office, 13th April 1829

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars

has been issued to ___ in the ____

It further appears that Edline Willoughby is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826——at the rate of ___ dollars per month.

The name of Edline Willoughby cannot be found among those of the Virginia line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of \$80 were issued

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office 29 April 1829

The records of this office do not show that Edline Willoughby of the Virginia line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor

General Land Office 1 May 1829

The name of Edline Willoughby does not appear on the List of Warrants issued by the Register of the Land Office at Richmond Virginia so far as they had been received.

S/ Geo. Graham, Commissioner

D. S.

On the 4th Instant I received a list from the Register of the land office at Richmond Virginia containing the names of persons to whom Warrants have been issued up to the first Instant: the time limited by an act of Congress – among those appears the name of Edline Willoughby whose Warrant bears date the 23 May last & is for 100 acres, 3 years services. D. Dickins

yours Kelley

[illegible] June 18??

State of North Carolina Anson County: Superior Court of law -- Fall Term 1832

On the 15th day of September A.D. 1832 personally appeared before me Joseph J Daniel one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law & Equity for the said State now holding Court in the Court-house in the Town of Wadesboro for the said County of Anson – Edlyne Willoughby a resident of the said County of Anson aged eighty 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 with Captain Spencer [Joseph Spencer] for the term of two years as a private – who was dismissed from the Army – and was then placed under the command of Captain Burley [Garland Burnley] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel McClanahan [Alexander McClanahan] in General Woodford's [William Woodford's] Brigade in the line of the State of Virginia. He enlisted in the County of Spotsylvania Virginia marched and joined the Grand Army under the command of General Washington and was in the following hard fought battles (to wit) White Plains, Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown and served out the full term for which he enlisted and was discharged by General Woodford in the fall of the year 1777. He immediately reenlisted again at the camp called White March in the State of Pennsylvania in the fall of 1777 a private for the term of three years under Captain Burley in the Regiment commanded by Colonel McClanahan in General Woodford's Brigade all the time in the 7th Virginia Regiment.

That he was marched to the North joined the Grand Army and was in the following battles (to wit) – Monmouth, storming Stony Point – after this the 7th Regiment was reduced to the first – That he was then placed under the command of Captain White in the Regiment commanded by Colonels Russell and Ball still in general Woodford's Brigade – who was ordered to the South to join the main Southern Army under General Lincoln – was marched to South Carolina and was in Charleston made a prisoner of war when General Lincoln made a surrender of the City of Charleston to the British forces – and continued a prisoner until the termination of the war. That he was sent round in a vessel from Charleston to Norfolk – State of Virginia and was discharged at Williamsburg in the State of Virginia by Major Mannis [perhaps Holman Minnis or Callohill Minnis] in the year 1782.

He hereby relinquishes 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 of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Sworn to in open Court S/ M. Pickett, CSC

S/ Edlyne Willoughby

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[fn p. 12: On August 29, 1840 in Anson County North Carolina a power of attorney was executed by Willis, Joseph, Nathan and Charles Willoughby in which they state they are the sons and only heirs at law of Edlyne Willoughby. They signed the document with their respective marks.]

[fn p. 13: On August 29, 1840 in Anson County North Carolina, the clerk of the court of pleas and quarter sessions entered a ruling in which he stated that satisfactory evidence had been submitted that Edlyne Willoughby a pensioner of the United States died on December 17, 1839 survived by Willis, Joseph, Nathan and Charles Willoughby as his heirs, the first named being his administrator. The clerk also found that no widow survived the veteran.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia service.]

[NOTE: the following document is posted on the Virginia State Library's site and relates to the bounty land application of the veteran addressed to that State:

State of North Carolina Anson County: Personally appeared before us Jeremiah Benton & Williamson F Smith two of the Justices of the peace in & for the County of Anson, Edline Willoughby and maketh oath that in the year 1776 he enlisted under Captain Joseph Spencer of the 7th Regiment of Virginia line on Continental establishment for the term of two years that in the year 1777 previous to the expiration of the first enlistment he again enlisted under Captain Garland Burley [Garland Burnley] for the Term of three years that during his last enlistment he served under different officers and was sent to the South under the command of General Woodford in the year 1780 was taken prisoner (in Charleston South Carolina) by the enemy from which situation he was released in the year 1781 and was regularly discharged by William Menness [?] Major of first Virginia Regiment & that he sent his discharge by one of the members of the Legislature of Virginia from the County of Spotsylvania in order to draw the balance of his

pay for which he received the Treasurer his certificate and that he has never had said discharging his possession since but expects that it is filed in the Treasurer's office, Sworn to and subscribed in the presence of us. This 23rd of March 1822.

S/ Jerh. Benton, JP

S/ W. F. Smith, JP S/ Edline Willoughby