Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Williamson W1686 Elizabeth fn??NC¹
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William Williamson, on his solemn oath doth declare and say, that he enlisted as a private in Captain Goodman's Company, 4th Regiment North Carolina Infantry, in March, in the year 1776, that he enlisted for eighteen months and duly served his time out in said Company and Regiment, he the said deponent was engaged in the Battle of Brandywine and battle of Germantown; that he continued as a volunteer in said company for about five months after the expiration of the period for which he entered as aforesaid; that he was discharged on the Army taking up winter quarters at Valley Forge and walked home from the neighborhood of Germantown to Wilmington in North Carolina, the spot at which she had enlisted. That he has not had possession of or seen his discharge for twenty-eight years and don't know whether it is in existence. The said Deponent saith he hath no further proof to offer of the facts above stated; that he is a resident citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, that by reason of reduced circumstances he is under the necessity of applying to his country for support.

Sworn and subscribed before made this 27th of March 1818

S/ Richard Peters

S/Wm Williamson

To the United States of America

I, the said William Williamson, do hereby make application for the benefit of the 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" as a private. And I do hereby relinquish my claim to any and every pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States.

S/ Wm Williamson

District Court of the United States in and for the Easton District of Pennsylvania On the 21st day of July 1820 personally appeared in the District Court of the United States for

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the District aforesaid (the said Court being a Court of Record, having a Clerk, a seal, and keeping a Record of its proceedings) William Williamson aged 66 years residing in Philadelphia who being first duly sworn in Open Court according to law doth on his oath declares that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows – Viz.

In the 4th North Carolina Regiment & company commanded by Captain ash. Date of original declaration 27th of March 1818 the number of pension Certificate 1174 – and I the said William Williamson do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 18th 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 other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Sworn to and declared in open Court on the 21st day of July 1820

S/D. Caldwell, Clk: Dist. Ct.

S/ Wm Williamson

Schedule of the property of William Williamson

An inventory of my whole property is annexed. I am by occupation a mariner but am unable from the infirmities of age to earn a living have three children residing with me one daughter 17 one son 15 in one daughter 12 years of age, my wife 42 years. And I am in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support myself without the Assistance of my Country.

Sworn to ut Supra

S/D. Caldwell, Clk: Dist. Ct.

S/ Wm Williamson

We the undersigned have taken this date July 19th 1820 and inventory of Articles belonging to Mr. William Williamson which we find to be as follows – as also the value thereof

1 Looking Glass	\$4.00
16 yards of Rag carpet at 15 cents per yard	2.40
1 Fire Shovel & tongs (old)	1.00
1 Sea Chest	1.00
1 Iron Pot & pair of flat irons	1.00
1 Teakettle & frying pan	.50
2 coffee Mills @ 25 cts	.50
1 Teapot & lot of crockery	2.00
5 common chairs	1.25
1 " table	.50
1 washing tub & bucket	.75
1 Trunk & Books	$1.12\frac{1}{2}$
	\$16.02 \frac{1}{2}

This is a just and true account of goods & chattels longing to the above person.

S/ William Baxter S/ James Keefe

[bands [sic] of wedlock between Wiliam Andr. Wiliamson [sic, William Andrew Williamson?] resident of Phil.(heretofore of NC), son of Andrew and Elizabe. Williamson, dec'd [sic, Andrew Williamson and Elizabeth Williamson], widower and Eliza Walker, dec'd, resident of Phil., daughter of Andrew Walker and his Relict Mary in Delaware State, past 21 years of age, dated

July 25, 1799, signed by Nicholas Collin, rector of the Swedish Churches of Pennsylvania witnessed Anthony Steel Chandler by and Ann CERTIFY, That William andr. William for and Elizabe. Wiliamson Charew. in North-Carolina decs cindrew Weilker, and his Relief daughter of Mars in Delaware State past "wenty I years of age of the other party, are joined in the Bands of HOLY WEDLOCK this day by me. GIVEN under my hand and feal at Philadelphia, on the $\,2{m 6}\,$ one thousand seven bundred and ninety ILLICE Rector of the Swedish Churches in the flate of Pennsylvania. WE underwritten have witnessed the folemnization of this Nuptial Contract, and Certify that it is free from every legal impediment ann Chandler

[on July 3, 1849 in Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Elizabeth Williamson, 74, a resident of Philadelphia filed for a pension as the widow of William Williamson; she states that she married him July 25 1799; that her husband died May 12, 1827.

Elizabeth Williamson

[facts in file: David H. Walker, 69 years old as of July 3, 1849, then lived in Newcastle County, Delaware;

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 27, 1818, for his service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$96 per annum commencing March 4th, 1846 for her husband's service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]