Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Teague W208 Transcribed by Will Graves

Elizabeth Teague f30SC rev'd 10/7/09 & 6/7/15

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State of Tennessee, Wilson County -

On this 28th day of December 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the worshipful Thomas B. Reece, James M. Martin, and David C. Hibbetts, Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarterly Sessions for said County of Wilson & State of Tennessee, aged seventy one years, who being first duly morn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit on the Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832—

That he entered the United States services under the following named Officers and served as herein stated to wit: Under Capt. William Mulwee's [sic, William Milwee]¹ he first entered the services of the United States in the Militia of South Carolina for Lawrence [sic, Laurens] County; he does not recollect the date with any kind of certainty but believes that it was in the summer of the year 1780, he however recollects well that he was first called into the service some three or four months previous to the defeat of Major Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson, defeated at the battle of Kings Mountain, October 7, 1780] of the British Army. After he had been in the service three weeks at a station on the Eneree [sic, Enoree] River, he had a severe attack of fever and his Captain permitted him to return home, finding a favorable opportunity to get a horse to ride; during his sickness he heard of the defeat of Ferguson, and the death of Col. Williams [James Williams] who was killed in the action. He knew Col. Branan [sic, Thomas Brandon] of the South Carolina Troops.

Some time after, perhaps the next year, he was again called upon as a militia man to serve a tour under the same Captain above mentioned, was mustered into service at Hammond's Old Store on Bush River in the County of Lawrence [Laurens]; and [after] he had been there two weeks, his father hired a man as a substitute and he returned home; does not recall the name of he substitute.

In the year of 1781 to the best of his recollection, and whilst Gen. Greene [Nathanael Greene] invested Camden in South Carolina he was again called into the militia service about the 15th of August as well as he can now recollect, and he fixes this date because he recollects that he was at preaching, which was the second Sabbath in the Month of August 1781, ^{when he was notified that he services would be required}. Marched from Lawrence [Laurens] at a place called Thompson's tan yard on Bush River, immediately to Camden Gen. Greene's Army who were encamped or stationed at Rugeley's Mills not far distant from Camden. There we remained or near that place until the 10th

¹ William Milwee W9200

& 15th of January 1782. John Neal was his Captain in this campaign, his former Capt. Milwee was Major and Col. Joseph Hays [sic, Joseph Hayes] commanded the Regiment part of the time and Col. Casey [Levi Casey] the balance of the time. He cannot say that he was acquainted with Gen. Greene though he saw him some times. He did not know many of the officers except his immediate commanders - war not inquisitive like some men, to know the names of many officers who were occasionally passing before him. So he served five months at least in this campaign.

The next and last service he performed was a tour of two months against the Cherokee Indians; he cannot recollect the date, month or year with anything like certainty, but this he knows that he served the tour of two months with the Troops commanded by Gen. Pickens of South Carolina; James Tinsley was his Captain & Major Saxton was one of the commissioned officers. The name of his Col. was forgotten.

He was not in any general engagement with the British, Tories or Indians. The Indians however lay in ambush and fired on Gen. Pickens Army upon the return march. He never received any discharge in writing and knows of no person whom he can prove any of his services, except Zadock Wood² whose affidavit he procured to be taken by Thomas Burke, Esq., one of the Justices of Wilson County dated the 28th of Oct. 1832 and is attached to this his declaration to prove his two months service against the Cherokee Indians. So that this applicant in summing up his services is enabled to state that he served eight months at least during all which time he was a private soldier.

He was seventy one years old the 23rd day of November last according to his father's family record of which he has a copy.

He continued to reside in Lawrence [sic, Laurens] County, S.C. until he removed to this county, which has been now twenty-six years. He is well acquainted with the Rev. John Bond and John Comer who live in his neighborhood, whose affidavits he expects to procure to testify as to his veracity and of their opinion as well as that of his neighbors concerning his Revolutionary Services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the 28th December 1832.

S/ William Teague

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Test: S/ Josiah S. McClain, Clerk. [John Bond, a clergyman, and John Comer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee Wilson County: This day personally appeared before me Thomas Burke one of the sitting Justice of the peace in and for said County Zadock Wood and made oath in due form that William Teague served a tower of Duty in the revolutionary war under General pickings [sic, Pickens] two months with me and I have good reasons to believe that he Teague none other service in said war.

Sworn to and subscribed before me Thomas Burke October 28, 1832 S/ Zadok Wood

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[p 4] Family Record

Births

William Teague was born the 23rd of November in the year of our Lord 1761 Elizabeth Teague was born the 22nd of June in the year of our Lord 1768 John Teague son of the above parents was born the 21st of June in the year of all Lord 1786 Rebecca Teague was born the 13th of May A.D. 1788 Margaret Teague was born the 5th of February A.D. 1790 Sarah Teague was born the first of February A.D. 1792 James Teague was born the 2nd of February A.D. 1794 Marriages September 5, 1841 Number of William and Elizabeth Teague children 11 number grandchildren 73 great-grandchildren 17 whole number 101 FAMILY RECORD. BIRTINS. BIRTHS

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[p 6: on April 24, 1849 in Wilson County Tennessee Elizabeth Teague, A.D., widow of William Teague filed for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of William Teague; that she married him July 3, 1785 in Lawrence County South Carolina [sic, Laurens County South Carolina] by proclamation of banns by John Cole Pastor of the Bush River Church; that her husband died September 23, 1845 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]