Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Virginia Pension Claim of William Blair VAS1215

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[From <u>Revolutionary pension records in the Library of Virginia</u>. Many of the online images are partly or completely illegible.]

Harrison County March Court 1787

William Blair a pensioner came into Court and presented to the [illegible word] Justices of the same that he is unable to Labour [several illegible words] then in the Malitia in the year 1774 in [two illegible words] Lewis' command and under the Command of Captain [illegible] and the Court is of the opinion that an additional Allowance of two pounds Ten Shillings be allowed him in addition to the present Ten pounds [the rest illegible]

I do with the advice of the Council hereby certify that William Blair aged about 50 years, late a private in the Militia, was disabled in the service of the Commonwealth (then the Colony) of Virginia by a wound in his left shoulder, and that he is allowed the sum of Ten pounds yearly, to commence from the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and Eighty Six.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond this [illegible] day of June 1788.

T. Meriwether

Edm. Randolph

At a Court held for the County of Randolph September the 26th 1792

Mr. Robert Maxwell Surgeon who was appointed by order of this Court to examine the disability of Pensioners residing in this County reported to the Court, that he had examined William Blair a former pentioner who was wounded in the left shoulder at the Battle of the Point [Point Pleasant] on the 10th of October in the year 1774 and that he believed the said wound had so far debilitated the said William that he was not of Bodily ability to support himself by his own Industry. Whereupon the Court Ordered the same to be entered on the minutes & certified

Copy Test John Wilson CRC

At a Court held for the County of Randolph the 23 day of September 1793

By the report of Robert Maxwell Surgeon for this County.

Ordered} That William Blair pensioner be Continued on the Pension List.

Copy Teste Jacob Westfall CRC

At a Court held for the County of Randolph the 23^d day of September 1793

William Blair Pensioner in this County Came into Court and acknowledged that Edward Jackson Sheriff paid him Ten pounds his Pension for the year 1790, and Ten pounds his pension for the year 1791.

\$66.66% Cents Copy Teste Jacob Westfall CRC

19th December 1794 Received of John Prunty Late Sheriff of Harrison the sum of ten pounds being in full for my pension for the year 1795 and wish the Auditor of publick accts to pass the same to his Credit Teste Geo. Arnold [?]

[The top part of the following is missing from the online image.]

...aforesaid and made oath that he is the same William Blair to whom the original certificate in his possession was given of which the following is a copy to wit I do with the advice of Council hereby certify that William Blair is continued on the list of pensioners with an allowance of ten pounds yearly commencing the first day of January one thousand Eight Hundred and one. Given under my hand as Governor of the commonwealth of virginia at Richmond this 10th day of november 1801. Sam'l. Coleman Jas Monroe

That he served in Colonel Charles Lewis Regiment of Virginia militia on an expedition against the Indians in the year 1774 at the time he was disabled and that he now resides in the state of Kentucky and Montgomery County af'd. and has resided there for the last five years past previous to which he resided in the counties of Harrison or Randolph and state of virginia Sworn to and before me a justice of the peace for Montgomery County af'd. this 28th of Feb'y. 1803. John Roberts

NOTES:

The Battle of Point Pleasant was before the beginning of the Revolutionary War (19 Apr 1775). The file contains other documents similar to the above, the last dated 24 June 1817.