Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Carlisle R1698

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Jackson County }
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On this 21st day of March 1833 personally appeared in open court, before the Honorable Charles F. Kith one of the Judges of the circuit courts for said state now sitting, William Carlisle a resident in the county of Jackson & State of Tennessee aged sixty eight 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 act of Congress passed June 7 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, & served as herein stated.

In the year 1780 about the first of May applicant substituted for one Moses Hazel on a tour of six months under Capt. Edward Lovel, & Col Gray Binam in the militia service, in Surry County N. Carolina, and joined the army at Linvilles mill on Dan river which was under the command of Genl Morgan [see endnote] & consisted of three or four hundred men, though Genl Morgan was not then with the army, remained there about a week & was then marched to Ramasowers' mills where he was stationed six or eight week where they had a skirmish or battle with the Tories [sic: Ramsour's Mill, 20 Jun 1780]. Then received orders from Genl Morgan to proceed to the shallow ford of the Adkin [sic: Shallow Ford of Yadkin River] to which point the army was marched, during this service applicant was mostly engaged with the pack horses, he returned home in parole the middle of September after serving five months & a half, he received no discharge himself, but his step father Hazel for whom he substituted received a discharge from Capt Lovel or Col Binam for his service but applicant does not now recollect or know what became of it, he cannot now recollect of any other circumstances on this tour with sufficient accuracy to set them out in this declaration.

In December 1780 Applicant moved to Greenbriar [sic: Greenbrier] County Virginia and volunteered to go in Crawfords campaign [Col. William Crawford's expedition against the Indians of the Upper Ohio River Valley]. in April following to wit, in April 1781 under Capt Hugh Miller & Col Sam'l Brown [Samuel Brown] at Greensburg, on a tour of eighteen months, from Greensburg was marched to Drennins Lick where we were met by a runner giving inteligence of Crawfords defeat [6 Jun 1782], then were marched back to Fort Hamilton [possibly Fort Arbuckle at the mouth of Mill Creek on Muddy Creek, at one time commanded by Capt. William Hamilton] in Greenbriar river which fort we rebuilt & remained there three months, were then marched to Muddy Creek Fort & were stationed there several months & then returned home in October. After remaining at home a very short time, say a very few days, was called out again & went to the Big Meadows where we had a small skirmish with the Indians lost one man & killed one Indian, after remaining there a few weeks marched to New River now called Kanhawa [sic: Kanawha] River, where we were kept in service the whole of the year 1782, making two years service during this campaign - This campaign was altogether against the Indians, & was very irregular having no regular marches or stations more than for the protection of the frontier, Applicants times of service in all was twenty nine months & a half. Has not in his possession nor can he procure any documentary evidence to show his services as a soldier of the revolution & knows of no living witness by whom he can prove it.

Answers to the Interogatories prescribed by the War Department.

- 1st Was born in Guilford County N. Carolina 18th of Nov'r. 1764.
- 2. I have no record of my age. think that one of my sisters has a record of it some where in Kentucky
- 3^d. I was living in Surry County N. Carolina when I was called into service from there I moved to

- Greenbriar County Virginia, from there to Green County Kentucky, thence to Fayette County Ky. Thence to Nelson County Ky thence to Madison County Ky, thence back to Green County Ky & then to Jackson County Tennessee where I now live and have lived for the last thirty two years
- 4. In my first tour at set out in the foregoing declaration I substituted for Moses Hazel, the balance of the time a volunteer.
- 5. I knew nothing of the regular army & if I heard the names of any of the regular officers do not now recollect them, or more of the general circumstances than I have stated
- 6 I never received any discharge for my services in North Carolina Hazel rec'd a discharge for my first tour but does not know what became of it. I received a discharge from Col Brown for my first 18 months tour in Greenbriar but it has been lost or destroyed for many years.
- 7. The reverend William Gailbreath and William Locke live in my neighbourhood or county has been acquainted with me for a number of years & will testify to my character for verasity & their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution which is the best testimony I can procure

Applicant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state except the present.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid [signed] William Carlisle

NOTES:

Col. Daniel Morgan was promoted to Brigadier General on 13 Oct 1780 and did not enter service in the South until Dec of that year.

On 1 May 1844 Nancy Carlisle, 70, applied for a pension stating that she married William Carlisle in Madison County KY on 19 April 1792, and he died on 5 April 1843. Her brother, William Kirkpatrick, 67, stated that he had been "much opposed to the match." Kirkpatrick certified that the family record transcribed below had been kept by William Carlisle.

James Carlisle was Born May the 1st AD 1793

Mary Carlisle was born August the 7th AD 1795

Robert Carlisle was born December the 8th 1798

Rachel Carlisle was born April the 23rd AD 1801

Mahalah Carlisle was born October the 5th 1803