Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Cash R1779

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[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Kentucky } Pulaski County } Sct

On this 17^{th} day of February 1834 before the County Court held in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared William Cash a resident of said County, aged 81 years past, who being sworn according to law, made the following declaration, in order to obtain the benifit of the provisions of the act of Congress passed 7^{th} June 1832.

That he entered the Service of the U.S. in the Revolutionary War in the year 1776 as he believes in the County of Spotsylvania State of Va. under Capt. Geo. Stublefield [sic: George Stubblefield], the same who was afterwards a Colo. in the regular Service, Harry Bartlett [Henry Bartlett] was his Lieut. He was a malitia man, - He believes he entered the Service in the Spring of said year, and he was numbered and held to Service, in his own County, untill some time in August when they were marched by said officers, thro' Williamsburg Va and stationed at Springfield Camp below Williamsburg when they were stationed as guards for not less than three months, then marched from to Hampton Town at the mouth of the [Chesapeake] Bay where they were stationed untill they were discharged having been in actual service this tour not less than four months from home, but he states that he was upon malitia duty the whole year. The next year he was called out and served under Capt Harry Stublefield [sic: Henry Stubblefield] and Leut. Frank Coleman [Francis Coleman], and was marched down below Old Richmond and were there stationed as guards for a considerable time, and from there we were marched to Cabin point [on James River in Surry County], and there stationed awhile, thence to Petersburg Va. and discharged having been in actual service not less than two months. Shortly afterwards he was called out in the same year last aforesaid, and went out under Capt. Sanders, his Leut not recollected and was marched again into the same part of the country last mentioned and stationed awhile at different places as guard not less than 7 weeks and were discharged. Afterward when Wallace passed thro' Va awhile before he was taken at York [sic: Cornwallis, taken at Yorktown 19 Oct 1781], he was called out under Capt. Coleman and were marched to Williamsburg about 115 miles and were held to service not less than 6 weeks and again discharged. After the Siege of york he was called to guard the prisioners to the Maryland line, under Capt. Gray. He can not recollect his Leut in these last trips. this last time he was gone not less than 2 weeks. He states that he served two other tours of not less than 5 weeks each in actual service in the same part of the Country in which his other tours were performed Towit about Richmond, Williamsburg & Petersburg – but cannot recollect the names of his officers – but knows that he served the Tours. he can recollect his services better than the names of the persons with whom he served. this service he thinks was in the year 1779. He further states that he is very frail and in consequence of old age & infirmity he has lost his recolection very much, but he believes he was in actual service not less than one year and 8 months. In answer to questions propounded by the Court, he says, first that he was born in Westmoreland Co. Va. in the year 1752. His age was recorded in his fathers Bible now in the possession of his brother James Cash, Pitsylvania [sic: Pittsylvania] Co. Va. His whole service was malitia service. He never had any written discharge that he recollects. He lived during the Revolution in Spotsylvania Co Va. after the Revolution he moved to North Carolina, Wilks Co [sic: Wilkes County] and from there 23 years ago he moved to Kentucky Pulaskie County where he now lives. He was not particularly acquainted with any of the regular officers except Colo. Stublefield, who was once his Capt. in the malitia. He has seen Genl Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] & others of the Regulars. He has no documentary evidence of his

service and knows of no person by whom he can prove his service. He is acquainted with the Rev'nd Richard Colleir [Richard Collyar] and John McQuarry [John McQuary] and Josiah Evans Esq'r who can testify of his character

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State whatever.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid William hisXmark Cash

State of Kentucky } Sct Rockcastle County }

Be it known that on this 22^d day of April 1834 personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for the County afs'd. William Cash, and being duly Sworn according to law, upon his oath make the following statement as amendment to his original declaration made before the County Court of Pulaskie on the 17th day of February 1834, for a pension under the Act of June 1832.

He States that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recolection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For three months he served in the malitia service as a guard stationed at Springfield Camp below Williamsburg State of Va. Geo. Stublefield was his Captain at first, but went into the regular service and he served his time out under Capt. Frank Talliaferro [sic: Francis Taliaferro] and Harry Bartlett was his Lieut. this service was guarding Williamsburg. There was a guard of regulars also at deep Spring, and also at the Town, the 5th Regiment was at the Town & the 6th at the deep Spring. For four months he served a tour to Hampton Town Va. at the mouth of the Bay, when he was stationed a part of his tour as a guard to guard the Town, and the ballance of this tour he was scouting and traversing the Country between said town and Springfield Camp. This service was performed under the same Captain afs'd. but he has forgotten the name of his left. [Lt]. These tours were performed as he believes in 1776. For two months he served below old Richmond Va. and was stationed as a guard a part of his time about a mile from the Town on James River, and was then marched to Cabin point and stationed there the ballance of his tour, then marched to Petersburg and discharged. This service was under Capt Harry Stublefield a brother to the first named Capt, and Frank Coleman was his Leut. this was in the year 1777 as he believes. For seven weeks he served under Capt. Sanders (his Luft. not recollected) he was marched below Richmond afs'd. and stationed at different places on James River, as guard untill his tour was up, this was also in 1777. For six weeks he served under Capt Coleman, he was marched to Williamsburg and stationed near the Town a part of the time, this tour was performed in persuit of Wallace when he passed thro Va. this was in 1781 as he believes.

For two weeks he served under Capt Crag after the Siege of York in guarding the prisoners to the Maryland line.

For five weeks he served under Capt. Parker. this tour was performed below old Richmond on James River, & from Richmond to Petersburg & to Williamsburg, staying but a few days at a place, but guarding each place while they stayed. this last tour was performed as he believes in the year 1779, and he has recollected the name of the Capt. since making his former declaration. He served one other tour of five weeks under Capt Beverly Windsel [sic: Beverley Winslow]. this tour was also performed below Richmond afs'd. and at Petersburg & Williams [sic] a part of his time he was upon guard and the ballance of his time traversing the country to find were their service was most needed

He states that the first year of his service he followed no other business but to attend to the calls of his Country for the whole year, and as stated in his original declaration he considers that he served in actual service not less than 18 months for which service he claims a pension. He gives the following reasons for making this amendment in the County of Rockcastle. He lives almost upon the line between the Counties of Pulaski & Rockcastle, & it is 18 miles from his town to his County Seat where he would have to go to

attend to this matter and dificult water corses to cross, and he is very frail scarcely able to travel any where, where as it is only 9 miles to the County Seat of Rockcastle and a good road and his little business and intercourse is in Rockcastle County. He thinks it is likely he never will be at his own County Seat again owing to his frail situation and the dificulty in the road. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before.

William Cash

NOTE:

On 21 Nov 1839 Dority Cash (also called Dolly and Dorothy Cash) of Rockcastle County KY, born in 1759 or 1760, applied for a pension stating that she married William Cash in 1782 or 1783, and he died in Pulaski County on 18 June in the 1830s (last digit illegible, but see below). On 12 Dec 1845 Frances Moore, widow of William Moore (pension application S36166), stated that William Cash was a "Cousin of her fathers" and married Dolly Irwin. Elsewhere Frances Moore stated that when she was eight or nine years old she lived within half a mile of William Cash and within one and a half miles of Dolly Irwin before their marriage. Dority Cash's claim was denied, because proof of marriage was lacking.

On 6 Sep 1849 Lewis Cash of Rockcastle County, 76, oldest living child of William and Dolly Cash, applied for his deceased mother's pension. He stated, "That he was a small boy when his father was in the Revolutionary War and that he ran after him when he started to the war and was lost from the middle of the day until the next morning about the time the sun was up. That he was married when he was about twenty six years old and that his oldest child was born on July 3^d 1801 that he had ten Children That their births was recorded by a William Watirs's in 1814 excepting the birth of his youngest which was born June 19th 1816 and was recorded on the same paper by some one else which record will be found affixed to this Deposition with a black thread" [transcribed below]. The certification of the statement says that Lewis Cash's son Wyley "is an old gray headed man." On 2 July 1850 Lewis Cash stated that his mother lived as the widow of William Cash for four years, eight months, and 24 days, and that he and Waller Cash were the only heirs of his mother still living. An accompanying document states that Daugherty Cash was buried on 9 March 1842. That year and the date in the widow's application would make the date of William Cash's death 18 June 1837, and the date of his widow's death 14 March 1842. The latter date does not agree with the date of burial. Another document in the file gives the date of William Cash's death as 14 June 1837. On 27 Nov 1843 Eleven Haisley[?], 53, of Pulaski County stated that William Cash died on 9 June 1836, and he listed the following children: Larkin Cash living in Clay County IN; Nancy, wife of Perry Rush or Rash of Pulaski County; Lewis Cash of Pulaski County; Waller Cash of MO; James Cash, who died before his mother (leaving the following children: Jeremiah Cash; Rody Hane, wife of William Hane; Elizabeth Cash; Christian Cash; Pernina Cash of Pulaski County; Racheal Long, wife of Hardy Long, living in TN); William Cash, who died before his mother (leaving the following children: John Cash; Stephen Cash; Elizabeth Harris, who married Lemuel Harris, living in Rockcastle County).

Wyley Cash a son of Lewis Cash and Mary Cash his Wife was Born In The year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred & One July $3^{\rm rd}$ 1801

Eli Cash Son of Lewis Cash and Mary Cash was Born February 20th 1803
Nancy Cash Daughter of Lewis Cash & Mary Cash Was Born August 20th 1804
Elizabeth Cash Daughter of Lewis Cash & mary Cash Was Born August 2nd 1806
Francis Cash Son of Lewis Cash & Mary Cash Was Born march 6th 1808
Mary Cash daughter of Lewis Cash & mary Cash Was Born Nov. 2nd 1809
Jesse Cash Son of Lewis Cash & mary Cash Was Born Oct 22nd 1810
dollah Cash Daughter of Lewis Cash & mary Cash Was Born August 16th 1812
Wm. Cash Son of Lewis Cash & mary Cash his Wife was Born April 16th 1814
Lewis Cash a Son of Lewis Cash & Mary was born June 19 1816
William Waters Dec 7th 1814