

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Galanus Winn S14849

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State of Alabama Madison County: SS

On this 29 day of October 1832 personally appeared before William J Adair – Judge of the Circuit court of Madison County & State aforesaid now sitting in open court Galanus Winn a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged about seventy-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement or declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. – That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, to wit – that in the month of February 1779, as well as the applicant recollects he entered the service of the United States as a substitute in the place of his brother James, in a militia company commanded by Joseph Winn another brother of the applicant – he states that he was then a resident of the County of Lunenburg in the State of Virginia where the company was drafted – he has now no recollection of the names of any of his company officers except his Captain as above stated, – the company to which he belonged was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel David Mason & Lieutenant Colonel Lewis Burwell he states that the company marched from Lunenburg and rendezvoused at Halifax in North Carolina where the company joined the Regiment from thence they marched to Hillsboro, from thence to Salisbury, from thence to Charlotte in North Carolina, from thence to Camden in South Carolina, from thence to headquarters, within about eighteen miles of Charleston, where they joined the Army commanded by Major General Lincoln, after remaining here some time they marched to Stono, where he attacked the British & on Sunday had a [indecipherable word]¹, perhaps "costly" severe engagement [June 20, 1779], after the battle he returned to head quarters where he remained some time & was dismissed some time in the latter part of August, this term of service being upwards of six months, he states that he has no documentary evidence of service – that Thomas Wilks² & Richard Bacon are the only persons that are now alive (that he knows of) with whom he served & by whom he expects to be able to prove this term of service. The applicant states that after his return & about two years perhaps after this term of service (he cannot state positively what year, for his memory is greatly impaired by age & bodily infirmity) he joined a volunteer Foot company commanded by Captain Charles Irby or Yearby – that he marched from Lunenburg through the lower part of Virginia & passed through Petersburg, Williamsburg, Little York, Suffolk & crossed Jericho in pursuit of the British who took shipping & made off, the

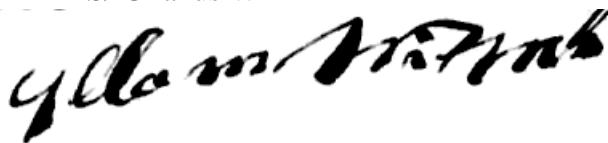


¹
² [Thomas Wilks S7927](#)

company then returned home, the applicant is unable to state positively how long he served this tour, but supposes from the six to seven months – The company then formed themselves into a horse Company, commanded by the same Captain, – he states he joined his Captain in Amelia County Virginia & marched from thence to Prince Edward County & from thence to Charlotte, where the company remained a short time then took up their line of march to Georgia, when on their way & after they had crossed the Roanoke [River], the Captain having hurt his horse's back took the applicant's horse, & gave to the applicant a discharge, he then returned home being in service this tour about four weeks. He states that he has no documentary evidence of service of this term, nor does he know of any person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to this term of service. He hereby are 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; Sworn & subscribed to this day & year above written in open court.

S/ L. Mead Clerk CC

S/ Gllanus Winn



[Benjamin Frank, Samuel Harris and Benjamin DuceAmour [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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South Carolina Laurens District: Personally came before me, an acting Magistrate of the district and State aforesaid, Thomas Wilks Senior who being duly sworn on oath says that he was a soldier in the War of the Revolution and that Galanus Winn was in the service at the same time, in the same company and same Regiment with himself – that the deponent and Galanus Winn went into service in February 1779, at Lunenburg in the State of Virginia under Captain Joseph Winn, and marched to Halifax old town in North Carolina where they joined a body of troops under the command of Colonel David Mason and Lieutenant Colonel Lew Burrell, from Halifax we marched to Hillsboro, from thence to Salisbury, from thence to Charlotte, in North Carolina to Camden, from thence to the head quarters of the American Army near Charleston then commanded by Major General Lincoln – this deponent further states that Galanus Winn was in the Battle at Stones Ferry or Stono in South Carolina – This deponent further swears that himself and Galanus Winn were discharged from service some time in the latter part of July or first of August 1779.

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 11th day of September 1832 before me.

S/ W. R. Finlay

S/ Thomas Wilks, Senior, X his mark

Amended declaration of Galanus Winn

State of Alabama Madison County: This the 18th of April in the year 1833 personally appeared in open court before me Horatio G Perry, Judge of the Circuit Court of said County, now sitting, Galanus Winn who being duly sworn, deposes and saith that by reason of age, and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service as a soldier of the revolution but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For six months I served as a substitute in the place of my brother James Winn, & was a private in a militia company commanded by my brother Joseph Winn. For six months I served as a private in a volunteer company commanded by Captain Irby or Yearby. For four weeks I served as a private under the last named Captain in

a volunteer horse company, as stated in my original declaration hereto appended & for such service I claim a pension. The declarant further states as an amendment to his said original declaration, that he was born in the County of Lunenburg in the State of Virginia on the 4th day of February 1760, as he has always been informed by his parents – but that he has no record of his age, if any ever existed he presumes it has been destroyed. He states he has no recollection of ever having received any written discharge from any of his officers – if he ever did it has been lost or destroyed. The declarant states that in relation to the direct proof of his service as offered in his original declaration the testimony of Thomas Wilkes was taken in the state of South Carolina about 400 miles distant from the residence of the declarant & forted to him and the in perfect form [paper torn, text missing] is presented. But he states that it was the [paper torn, text missing] tive & authenticated proof of Richard [paper torn, text missing] on which he principally relied, who has, since making his certificate, paid the debt which most of his revolutionary brethren have discharged, & which he himself, from the ordinary course of nature, must shortly pay periods sworn & subscribed in open court this 18th day of April 1833.

S/ L. Mead, Dist. CC

S/ Gallanus Winn

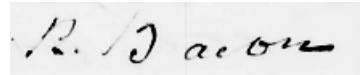
[Richard Ellett & Joseph Sharp gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Alabama Madison County

I Richard Bacon³ a resident of the County & State aforesaid do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Galanus Winn who has subscribed & sworn to the foregoing declaration – that I believe him to be seventy-two years of age, that I was with him in the service of the United States – that we served together in the company of militia commanded by Captain Joseph Winn as stated by the applicant, & that the facts therein set forth by him are substantially true – that he recollects that the said applicant joined the horse company mentioned by him in his declaration – that he believes the facts set forth in his declaration are true.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ R. Bacon

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. Bacon". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.89 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months and 28 days service in the Virginia militia; 12 months in the Infantry and 28 days in the cavalry.]

³ [Richard Bacon S16625](#)