

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Hall S16142

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[Capitalization partly corrected]

The State of Ohio Monroe County Ss

on this 31st day of August 1838 personally appeared before me Jeremiah Hollister one of the associate Judges in the County aforesaid William Hall of Washington township in the said County of Monroe aged 95 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 7th 1832 that he Entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated

that he was drafted for three months and went to winchester to guard prisoners under Captain Cehan [sic: John Sehorn], he believes in the year 1781. that he served the said three months he believes he went out in the fall and came home in the winter

Second he was drafted to go to winchester to guard the British prisnors under one Captain Crookshanks [John Crookshank] in the year 1782 that he served said three months guarding prisnors was discharged but he thinks not in writing

3^d that he was drafted and march to Richmond and falmouth and several places Rembers crossing a large water very wide and he thinks his Capts name was Brown about the time he was to be discharged peace was made Rembers Colonal Bird Colanel Morgan [probably Zackquil Morgan, pension application W1912] that he was never in an engagement or Battle

that he thinks he can proove his service by Sally Powell Nimrod Snider or Caty Snider or Henry Hall that he has no documentary evidence

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 and that his memory is so impaired he cannot recollect precised as to the times of the year or day of the month but that he seved at least nine months at three several tours

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid [William hisXmark Hall

interogatories

1st Where and in what year were you Born

ans I was born near a place caled front Royal in virginia and not far from Stevestown in the year 1743

2nd have you any record of your age and if so where is it

ans he has none

3rd where were you living when caled into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live

ans when caled into service I was living in Shanodoah [sic: Shenandoah County] virginia and near front Royal Since the war I lived in Preston County va and I now live in Monroe County Ohio

4th how was you caled into service ware you drafted did you voluntier or ware you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

ans I was drafted

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such Continal Regiments and Militia as you can recollect

Col Morgan Col Bird Capt Cehan Capt Brown Capt Crookshanks the general circumstance of his service was that he was drafted for three months twice to guard prisnors and marchd a lond distance and discharged at the close of the war, and one drafted and went to Richmond falthoth and other places in virginia

6th did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has

become of it

an I did receive a discharge each tour but do not know what has become of it

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify to your character for truth and veracity and their belief of you service as a soldier of the Revolution

ans John R Dye James Carothers Cornelus Okey Elias Conger William Mason

and I do further Certify that the said applicant upon his oath declares the reasons he has not made an earlier application is that he lives remote from the County Seat and was not informed on the subject that he supposed it was only regular soldiers that was entitled, did not know the Law embraced Militia cases, that he lives with his son William that he owns no property and his son is poor and lives on a rented farm

Common Welth of Virginia

Preston County

Be it known that on this 22nd day of December 1838 personally appeared before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Henry Hall a resident in said County and after being duly sworn according to Law saith that he is will acquainted with William Hall of Monroe County Ohio and that he also knows that said William Hall was a Soldier of the Revolution that the said William served three several tours of three months each under Capt Cehan Capt Crookshanks and Capt Brown and he further saith that the tours of service was performd from the year 1780 to 1782 or near the close of the Revolution and further this deponent saith not Sworn and Subscribed the day and year first above written before me/ Joseph Mathew J.P. [signed] Henry Hall

[On the same day Caty Snider of Preston County stated that she remembered that William Hall "went out about the middle of April 1781 and returned in July and that after wards he went and served three months went the four part of winter and returned in April 1782."]

NOTE: On 9 July 1839 William Hall further explained the delay in applying for a pension, stating that "for the last ten or twelve yeares he has been almost entirely confined to the house and farm."