## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of William King S30524 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## State of Kentucky Bracken County Sct.

On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year 1833 personally appeared before the Bracken Circuit Court now sitting William King resident of said County of Bracken in the State of Kentucky aged seventy 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 the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That [he] entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit, first he volunteered under Captain John Blackwell of Fauquier County at the Courthouse of said County a short time before the Battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] for the term of three months the Company was then commanded by said Blackwell Captain, John and James Hatheway [sic John Hathaway and James Hathaway] were our lieutenants, the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Martin Pickett of said County of Fauguier, Francis Triplett Adjutant. From said Fauguier Courthouse, we marched to the North, and joined the main Army above White Marsh Creek in the State of Pennsylvania at Pennypack's Mill, the day after the Battle of Germantown, then marched with the Army towards Germantown, thence towards Philadelphia, and after much change of positions of the Army and a short time before the Army went into winter quarters, at the Valley Forge, and after his term of service for which he volunteered and ten days over had been completed, he was discharged, a part of said Service was rendered under the immediate command of Captain Samuel Blackwell, the said John having resigned the Command for which you received no written discharge though one at, as he understood, was prepared for him, for which he never called or received, Secondly afterwards in the year 1781 he again in the said County of Fauquier, to which he had returned, and in which he was born and resided up to the year last mentioned, having been informed, his and one of his Brothers services were required, he with his Brother Robert marched from said County of Fauquier, to a place called the Maubin hills [Malvern Hills] about eighteen miles below Richmond Virginia, with Captain William Grigsby, where we joined a part of the Army, then, as he understood, under the immediate command of General Edward Stevens, who commanded the Virginia Militia, near to whom was encamped General de la Fayette [Lafayette], it was then discovered the services of him said William King had not been demanded or required, he however then and there entered the service again of the United States for the term of three months as a volunteer militia man under the command of said Captain Grigsby, the Army was for some time, and for nearly all the term of the service last mentioned, marched retreating from the British to various places, all of which not now recollected, but first from Malvern Hills to Richmond, thence to New Castle &c he was not in any Battle during his services, and falling sick about two weeks before the three months last mentioned had terminated, was discharged, by the Commanding General Edward Stevens before named on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1781, as will appear by said discharge bearing that date, subscribed by said E. Stevens hereto annexed as part of this declaration, He was born as herein above stated.

He has no Record of his age and was born in Fauquier County Virginia don't recollect what year borned, from information 74 next March

He was living when called into service as hereinabove stated, lived in Fauquier County Virginia for some years after the war, then moved to Tennessee and lived for some years – and then to Bracken County Kentucky where I now live.

He was called into service as above stated, and was not a substitute.

He has above stated the general circumstances, as far as recollected attending his service and referred to some of the regular officers by name.

He never did receive a discharge from the service, other than that above referred to and annexed to this his declaration.

He is known in his neighborhood, known to Robert Elrod a clergyman and Robert King who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ William King

[Robert Elrod, a clergyman, and Robert King gave the standard supporting affidavit.

William King a Sick Soldier unfit for Duty is Discharg'd from this tour Duty Sept. 2d '81 S/ Edward Stevens, B. G.

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]