Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Willoughby Prescott S41966 fn32NC
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State of North Carolina Carteret County

On this 17th day of September 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law and equity for the State aforesaid, personally appeared Willoughby Prescott aged sixty-eight years Resident in the County of Carteret and State aforesaid, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons, engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war." That he the said Willoughby Prescott enlisted in the County of Onslow and State aforesaid, in the company commanded by Captain George Mitchell of the 6th Regiment in the year 1776. That he continued to serve in said corps, or in the service of the United States until 1781, which was 5 years service from his said enlistment. When he was taken prisoner in the City of Charlestown, and there remained until he was paroled which during said time peace was concluded home by the 2 nations, That he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown & Monmouth besides the siege of Charlestown where he was taken prisoner, and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

S/ Willoughby Prescott, X his mark

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid

S/ Jn Hall

[Chosie Dickson and Thomas Prescoutt confirmed that the petitioner was in reduced circumstances.]

The Petitioner further declares that his service aforesaid were rendered in the North Carolina Continental line in support of which fact he respectfully refers to the Roll of the Army of North Carolina abstracts of which he presents are in possession of the department of war.

July 26 1819

S/ Willoughby Prescott, X his mark

State of North Carolina Secretary's office 17th of November 1819

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do hereby Certify that it appears from the musterroll of the North Carolina Continental line for the Revolutionary war, that Willoughby Prescott a private in Captain Donoho's company of the 6th Regiment was mustered the __day of __ for 3 years or the war -- nothing respecting his discharge.

Given under my hand the date above.

S/Wm Hill

Willoughby Prescott drew a Warrant on the certificate of and Officer for 4 years service given the 17th November 1819

S/Wm Hill, Sec.

District of North Carolina

On this 22nd day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court before the worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Carteret, in the State of North Carolina (the said court being created a Court of record by the laws of the State aforesaid) Willoughby Prescott aged sixty-eight years, resident in Carteret County in the said district, who being first duly sworn according to law; doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows -- that he the said Willoughby Prescott enlisted for 3 years in the month of May A.D. 1776 in the County of Onslow, State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain George Mitchell, in the 6th Regiment commanded by Colonel Linnington [Lillington?] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment -- that at the September term 1818 of Carteret Superior Court of law & equity he made the declaration required by act of Congress for obtaining pensions before the Honorable John Hall Judge of said Court, that he received a pension accordingly & that his certificate is numbered 16 110 -
S/ George Read Clerk

And I, Willoughby Prescott, do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

I do also swear that I am by occupation a farmer, that for 4 years last past the rheumatism has completely disabled me from pursuing my calling that my family is in number for the is Willoughby Prescott aged 69 years, Mary Prescott, my wife aged 58 years, Ivey Prescott my son aged 19 years, & Casey Dixon my granddaughter aged 6 years and that none of these have capacity to contribute to their support except Ivey Prescott who is in fact the support of my family --

Sworn to & declared on the 22nd day of August 1820 before us -- Presiding Justices of the County Court of Carteret

S/ Jechonias Pyatt [also spelled later in the document "Pigott"] S/ Jeremiah Watson S/ William Hill

Schedule
900 acres barren pine land
1 Mare & 2 colts
35 head of cattle
30 head of hogs
10 head of Sheep
3 Coarse Tables
6 chairs

2 iron pots one oven one tea kettle one skillet one set of knives & forks 12 pewter spoons 6 iron teaspoons one tea pot 9 cups & saucers 4 earthen bowls 2 last tumblers 9 bottles 2 pine chests tongs & shovel andirons one old linen wheel one woolen wheel one cart 3 plows 5 close 3 axes one grind stone one hand mill 5 bee hives

S/ Willoughby Prescott, X his mark

[the court found the above property to be worth about \$500.]

[In 1822, the veteran filed another petition saying that he had been dropped from the pension list on account of property. In this petition he this property which the court valued at \$77.65.]

[fn p. 28: On March 15, 1828, Willoughby Prescott filed again for a pension, this time under the terms of the act of May 15, 1828