Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Chivvis S44751

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

To the Honorable Richard Riker Recorder of the City of New-York, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayors Court of the City of New-York, which is a Court of Record of the State of New-York.

The Declaration under oath of William Chivvis formerly a Gunner engaged in the Service of the United States, during the Revolutionary War, and now a Citizen of the United States, and resident of the City & County of New York

Respectfully Showeth, that the said William Chivvis entered in the month of December 1777 into the service of United States in the Continental Establishment in the Company of Captain John Champ Carter [John Champe Carter] in the Artillery Regiment of Colonel Charles Harrison in the Virginia Line and continued therein for the Term of three years [sic] That after a faithfull service he was honorably discharged from the service on the tenth day of January 1780 as appears by the Documents annexed and is by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support; Therefore he conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War, approved, March 18, 1818, and requests that your Honor will examine into the truths of the matters aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in this case, and the proceedings had thereon to the Honorable the secretary of the Department of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case provided. And in support of the facts above set forth, he refers to the Deposition of himself and of John Sanders hereafter set forth, nom Chives

Dated, the 31st day of March 1818

This is to Certify that William Chivvis Inlisted under me [Thomas Baytop] to serve in Colo. Chas. Harrisons Regiment of Artillery, January the 27th 1777 for the Term of three years

Fort Stevens Feb'y. 23rd 1778 }

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NEW-YORK MAYOR'S COURT.

In the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New-York, held at the City-Hall, in and for the said City, before the Judges of the same Court, of June term, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty

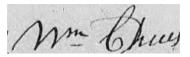
PRESENT the Honorable Peter A Jay Recorder City of New-York, ss. Be it Remembered, That on the Nineteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the city of New-York, in open court, the said court being a court of record for the city and county of New-York, according to the charter of the said city and the laws of the state of New-York, William Chivvis aged Seven one years, resident in the City of Newyork who being first duly Sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: I enlisted as a private in Capt. Thos Batops company in the first Ridgment of Artillery virginia line in the Continental Establishment commanded by Coll Charles Harrison at Gloster [sic: Gloucester] county in the State of Virginia about the 20 day of February in the year 1777 for three years I was in several skirmishes at Fort Stevens below Portsmouth in the State of

Virginia I was at the Battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] under Gen'l. Washington and I was discharged at Morristown in the State of Newjersey on the 10 January 1780 honorably which discharge was sent to the Sec'y of Wars office at Washington when I sent my first application in 1818 the Company was commanded when I was discharged by Capt John Champ Carter

And I do solemnly Sware 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person 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, to wit: Real estate none By trade or occupation a Tailor My family consists of Myself aged Seven one years My wife aged Sixty two years four children to wit Mary aged thirty years a cripple & helpless the last twenty years Margaret aged twenty two with the loss of one eye Eliza aged Seventeen years now learning the trade of a Tayleress Peter aged Fourteen years out and Learning the trade of a Butcher

Inventory of my Personal Estate (to wit)

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1 old Tea Table	\$6 —
8 Winsor Chairs	2.25
1 Maple Kitchen Table	1 —
1 old Carpet	7 —
1 small rag D'o	3 —
2 Iron pots & 1 Tea Kettle	2 —
Shovel Tongs & and Irons	3 —
1 Looking Glass	2 —
Washing Tub & pails	2.50
Frying pan & Grid Iron	1.50
Tea Cups & Saucers	1 —
Crockery	1 —
1 Chest	1.50
1 Trunk	_1
	\$34.75



[The following is among bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia:]

William Chivis late a Gunner in Capt Carters company of the first Regiment of Artillery commanded by Col Charles Harrison, having served the tour for which he stood engaged, Is hereby discharged the service of the United States His good behaviour as a soldier entitles him to the respect and esteem of all his countrymen.

Given under my hand at the Park of Artillery near Morristown this tenth day of January 1780. signed E Carrington [Edward Carrington]/ Lt Col Com'd 1 R Art.

[Copy certified 4 Jan 1821.]