## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of William Irvin S44975 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## Steuben County State of New York: SS

William Irvin of the Town of Wayne in the County of Steuben and State of New York being duly sworn before me William Helm one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Steuben doth depose and say that he enlisted as a private Soldier in the month of September or October in the year of our Lord 1775 in a Company Commanded by Captain William Campbell in the 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Regiment, Commanded by Colonel Henry [Patrick Henry], but in what Brigade this deponent does not recollect, and was discharged sometime in the month of October following. – That on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December following this deponent again enlisted under Captain George Lamberd [George Lambert] in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis in General Wheaton's [George Weedon's] Brigade, and was regularly discharged therefrom on the 25<sup>th</sup> of December 1779 at Mendham in the State of New Jersey. And that he this Deponent hath lost his discharge. This Deponent further saith that by reason of his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for Support.

Sworn this 15 day of April 1818 before me

S/ Wm Helm

William Irvin

State of New York County of Steuben: SS:

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for said County, William Irvin aged sixty-three years resident in the Town of Wayne in said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows to wit, that I enlisted on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1775 for the term of one in Captain William Campbell's Company in the first Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Patrick Henry & that I served under said enlistment until the expiration of one and on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December following again enlisted under Captain George Lambert commanding a company in the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment said Regiment was commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis for the term of three years, which time I duly served & was discharged at Morristown in the County of Morris in the State of New Jersey on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 1779, reference being had to my original declaration in the office of Secretary of War bearing date the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818; will more fully appear: and that I have received a pension Certificate from the office of the Secretary of War, but which Certificate is not numbered – and that the said pension was allowed

under the act of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818; and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 Schedule

I have no real property whatever. Personal Property, 2 cows, 6 sheep, one broad ax, one wood ask, 6 chairs, one pot, one small pot, 6 plates, 6 knives & forks, one table, one chest, one washing tub, one shovel & tongs – My family consists of myself & wife – we lived in a hired house & small garden, my former occupation was that of a carpenter, but for 6 years past, I have been unable for the greater part of the time to do anything in consequence of the rheumatism – My wife is 60 years old, but from old age and weakness can do but little, we both of us barely make out to live, we have barely clothing & bedding to make us comfortable, I have no income whatever excepting my aforesaid profession.

Sworn to & declared on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 before me S/ Howell, Clerk S/ William Irvin of Steuben County

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 15, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]