

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Boswell (Baswell) W18639

Lydia

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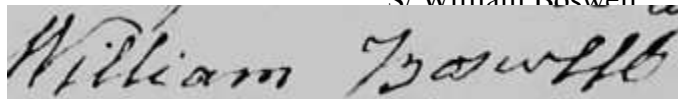
State of North Carolina District of Edenton Pasquotank County: SS

On this 10th day of April 1819, before meet, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Superior Court of Law & Equity for the said district, personally appeared William Baswell aged 63 years, resident in Perquimans County in the said district, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration or statement, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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," that he the said William Baswell enlisted for the term of 3 years on the 17 day of June in the year 1777 in the town of Hertford in the State of North Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain Isaac Moore of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Abraham Sheppard in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the 25th of May 1780 when he was taken prisoner at Charlestown from service in the State of South Carolina, that he was in the battles of Monmouth & the siege of Charleston and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, & that he has no other evidence now in his power, of his said services, except the annexed affidavit.

Sworn to & declared before meet the day & year above written

S/ Ja. Iredell, Judge

S/ William Baswell



State of North Carolina Perquimans County

Schedule

District of Edenton

On this 13th day of February 1821 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record for the said County aforesaid Perquimans – William Boswell of the said County – age 65 years Resident in Perquimans in said District – who being 1st duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows – 6 years and 6 months and was in 3 engagements at Monmouth, Germantown and the Siege of Charleston and taken prisoner, And I 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

S/ William Boswell

Sworn to and declared on the 13th day of February 1821

S/ Gabl. White, JP

S/ William Jones, JP

S/ John Clarey, JP

Schedule of William Boswell's property

10 acres of land	\$20
2 cows & calves at \$10 each	20
1 sow & 9 Shoats	15
3 Iron pots dutch oven & skillet	2.70
1 pr. Tongs & Flat Iron	.99
3 dishes 17 plates & 1 pr fire dogs	2.75
1 set cups and saucers & 6 Bowls	0.50
2 Tea pots & 2 Coffee pots	0.70
1 Cruit & peper Caster	0.12 ½
Knives & forks sugar dish & milk pot	0.62 ½
1 salt stand 2 Hogsheads & 3 Barrels	0.65
4 small Tubs 1 pail & piggin	0.60
4 chairs 2 small tables 1 looking glass	2.00
1 pot Trammel 1 dozen pewter spoons	0.70
1 Chest 5 Basons 2 Trays 2 spinning wheels	3.980
1 loom & Harness 2 Baskets & 1 Ran [?]	3.22
	\$73.67 ½

Family & Children

wife Lydia Boswell aged 58 years & 6 children

Benjamin Boswell aged 30 years

Ferebee Boswell age 28 years

Mary Boswell age 24 years [Polly, wife of Reuben Overman]

Ruth Boswell page 21 years [wife of Arthur Pritchard]

Lavinia Boswell aged 19 years [wife of Job Felton]

Zadock Boswell page 22 gone to Indiana

who are not under his Control, 4 of them being married and have families of their own. That he is a farmer – and very much afflicted with the Rheumatism – which he has had for the last 15 years.

S/ William Boswell

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State of North Carolina, Pasquotank County

I John Rogerson, do solemnly swear, that William Baswell it is in the service the date state, in the

company commanded by Captain Isaac Moore, & that he served in said Service as is mentioned in the annexed Certificate.

April 19th, 1819

S/ John Rogerson,¹ X his mark

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify, that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State, that William Boswell a Sergeant in Captain Moore's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the 11th of June 1777 for 3 years, as a private in June 1778, acct a Corporal in October 1778. That nothing more is said of him on said rolls.

I do further certify that it appears from the Warrant book in this Office, that a warrant was on the 27th of June 1788, issued for the services of William Boswell as a Sergeant for the war, at which time all such warrants were issued on certificates of Field Officers.

Given under my hand at office in Raleigh this 15th day of April 1830

S/ Wm Hill

[fn p. 8: on November 12, 1849 in Perquimans County North Carolina, Polly Overman, aged about 60, filed for the benefit of the 1838 act stating that she is the daughter of William Boswell and Lydia Boswell, both deceased; that her father was a pensioner for his services in the revolution; that she is of the belief that her parents were lawfully married prior to January 1, 1794; that her mother died in the month of November or December 1842 having never married after the death of her father William Boswell; that she, Polly Overman, Zadock Boswell & Ruth Pritchard are the only surviving children of Lydia and William; and that Lydia, William, Sally Ann and George Felton are the only grandchildren and a heirs at law of her parents.]

[facts in file: Lydia Boswell, widow of the veteran, was the sister of Lemuel Ivey, both of Perquimans County, NC; the veteran died July 13, 1834 in Perquimans County

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing April 19th 1819, for 3 years service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

¹ [John Rogerson S41988](#)