

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Zackquill Morgan W1912

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[At the places marked * below, the text has been obscured by transparent tape.]

State of Virginia } SS.

county of Monongalia }

On this 27th day of August in the year one [*; thousand] eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before the County [*] Monongalia, Zackquill Morgan a resident of said county, aged [*; seventy] four 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 provision [*; made] by the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832. That in the year [*; 1778] he was drafted and marched from Monongalia county Virginia, in [* a com]pany of militia commanded by Capt. James Brinton, Liut. P. [*] and ensign Rigden, in which company he was appointed and acted [*] Sargent - we marched and rendezvoused at Col. Philips farm now in Fayette county Pennsylvania [then thought to be in VA], and there joined the regiment under [the] command of John Evans - from Philips we marched to Catfishes [*: Catfish Camp] where the town of Washington Penn's. now stands. from thence to [*]tures bottom on the south side of the Ohio river, and from thence to [*] to the mouth of Big Beaver creek [now Beaver PA], where they had been a french [*]ment - that in a few days we were joined by the army under the com[mand] of Gen'l. [Lachlan] McIntosh, and immediately the army was set to work to bui[ld a] fort, which was called McIntosh's fort, - that in the fall of 1778 the army marched (with the exception of the brave Col. [Richard] Campbell and a few [*] to Tuscarora [sic: Tuscarawas River], a branch of the Muskingum, where we built a fort call[ed] Lawrence [sic: Laurens] - that after building the fort, and making cabbins for the c[*] of the men, the whole army except the 13th Virginia regiment, march[ed] back to Fort McIntosh where after remaining a few days Col. Evan's regiment was discharged, after being in the service about six months

That in the month of July 1779 Co. Broadhead [sic: Daniel Brodhead] called for volunteers to go and take the Munsie town up the Alegany river [sic: Munsee Indian towns on the Allegheny River] - that he with others turned out and marched to Fort Pitt, and were there placed under the command of Capt. Sam'l Meason - (who afterwards the celebrated head of the banditt [see note below]) from Fort Pitt [* m]arched to the Munsie town, and burnt it, after which we returned home after an absence of about two months.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an 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.

[signed] Zackquill Morgan

Evan Morgan [pension application S11098], a resident of said county aged seventy nine years, this 28th day of August in the year 1832, personally appeared before the County court of Monongalia now sitting, and after being duly sworn according to law doth depose and say. That his brother served in McIntosh's campaign and the campaign against the Munsie town, as stated in the foregoing declaration, and he believes that the whole declaration of the said Zackquill Morgan contains the truth.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[signed] Evan Morgan

State of Virginia

On this 25th day of February, in the year 1833, personally appeared in open court, before the County court of Monongalia now sitting, Zackquill Morgan, a resident of said county and state aforesaid, aged seventy four years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following additional declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832. That he cannot possibly recollect the time Col. Evans' regiment marched from this county, on McIntosh's campaign, but so far as he can now recollect he was discharged the last of December 1778 and he beleives that he was in the service a few days above six months - that from conversing with some of the old men of the count[y; *] made his

last declaration, he is satisfied that he was absent seven weeks and f[*] on the expedition against the Munsie town up the Allegany river - that he was [*] Frederick county Virginia, on the 8th of September 1758 - that his birth was recorded [*] parish register of the latter county, - that he recollects Col. Broadhead. Col. Gibson [*]manded eight Pennsylvania regiment, and Col. [John] Gibson of 13th Virginia regiment of [*] troops in McIntosh's campaign, also in same campaign Col. Crawford of Pennsylvan[*] Col. Evans, Col. Bealer and a great many other officers whose names he has forgotten - [*]ceived no written discharge as well as he can recollect, it being the practice to give [*] discharges - that he has been for many years personally acquainted with Rev'd. Josep[*]elford [Joseph A. Shackelford], Col. Samuel Hannay, Col Dudley Evans, Thomas S Haymond esqr, Stephen [*] and many other respectable men of said county, who he believes can testify as to his c[*] and their beleif of his services in the Revolution —

[signed] Zackquil Morgan

[The following report is by District Attorney Washington G. Singleton who investigated many pensioners from present West Virginia. For details see pension application S6111 of David W. Sleeth and the note below.]

Zackquil Morgan, 25.89 [amount of pension per year]

I the undersigned Zackquil Morgan at the requisition of the Secretary of War, give the following statement of my age and Revolutionary Services to Wit. I was 77 yrs. old the 8th day of September last — in the year 1778 (I think) I was drafted in (now Mongalia Cty) for four months and Rendevouse on Georges creek. was attached to Capt James Brentons Company (Brenton was of Pennsylvania) and marched to Mentures Bottom on the Ohio River (Col Morgan commanding) then to Big Beaver & joined McIntoshes expedition. from there the army marched to Tuscarahwa & aided in building fort Laurence. returned to Fort McIntosh and was there discharged. was in this service full four months.

In the next succeeding fall I volunteered in Monongalia for the expedition Marched under Col. Broadhead in Capt. Masons company to fort Pitt, thence up the Allegany river to Munshee town. destroyed the town & killed some Indians and one white man. - was in this service about two months. In reference to the first term I will not be possitive about the length of time in which I was in service, I left home in warm weather & returned about Christmas. - the forgoing comprises all the service I done — In witness whereof I hereto subscribe my name Nov. 13, 1834. My brothers recollection is better than mine - and it is probable that he is correct in saying that we were 7 weeks & 4 days in the Munshee expedition — Zackquil Morgan
Evan Morgan aged 81 yrs. brother of Zackquil says that his brother & himself were together in service on the allegany when the Munshee town was destroyed - that they were in that expedition 7 weeks & 4 days. - that his brother was also in McIntoshes campaign, but cant tell how long he was in that service.

Note. Evan Morgan (I learned) is correct in saying that the Soldiers in the Munshee expedition were gone 7 weeks & 4 days.

W. G Singleton Nov. 29, 1834

NOTES:

After the Revolutionary War Samuel Meason or Mason led a gang of pirates on the lower Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

As he often did, Singleton wrote "Fraud" on this report with no apparent evidence. A letter to the Pension Office dated 21 Mar 1835 states that the writer (signature illegible) had directed that Zackquill Morgan and others be stricken from the pension roll, but in the application of his widow it is stated that he received a pension to the time of his death.

On 2 Jul 1849 Cina Morgan, 71, of Marion County (then VA) applied for a pension as the widow of Zackquil Morgan. The application states that he died on 27 Feb 1834, but that date was before his interrogation by Singleton. James Morgan, nephew of Zackquil Morgan, deposed that he attended the wedding when very young. As proof of marriage she submitted the following: "The following is a copy of a family record kept in one of the books of the late Zackquell Morgan who was a soldier of the revolution and pensionier

Family record

Zackquell Morgan and Cina Wert were Married September, the 18th 1794
Stephen H. Morgan was born Friday december the 1 A.D. 1797
Sally Morgan was born Saturday Febuary 22nd 1800
Mary Morgan was born Saturday 20th November 1802
Melinda Morgan was born Saturday 22nd Febuary 1805
Katherine Morgan was born Wednesday July 8th 1807
Rebecca Morgan was born Monday July 16th 1810
John Parimount Morgan was born October 17th 1812
David James Morgan was born January 17th 1815
Samuel Moran Morgan was born January 16th 1817
Elizabeth Morgan was born March 20th 20th 1820
Virginia Marion County SC[?]

I Stephen H. Morgan Son of the late Zackquell Morgan whose family record the above is do solemnly swear that the above is a copy of my fathers family record kept by him and in his own hand writing as I verily believe and that my father drew a pension for several years before his death from the goverment of the United States before his death and that I was said to be the first born child of his father Zackquell Morgan & Cina his wife and that I shall according to this record and all other information I received from my father and mother be fifty two years old the first day of December next August the 30 1849 [signed] Stephen H. Morgan”