

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elisha Garland W926

Lucy Garland

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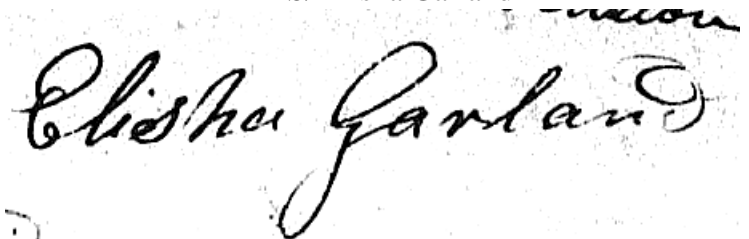
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State of Tennessee, Davidson County

On this 17th day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Davidson County & State of Tennessee Elisha Garland a resident of said County & State aged about 70 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

I was born in North Carolina, Halifax County & lived there during the Revolutionary War. I enlisted in the early part of the War I do not recollect the exact time in the 3rd North Carolina Regiment under Captain Pink Eaton [Pinketham Eaton], Jethro Sumner was my Colonel & __ Lockhart [Samuel Lockhart] my Major, I enlisted for two years & six months & served all the time. Marched shortly after my enlistment through Virginia Northwards to the Main Army & soon after we joined the Main Army I was in the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], this was not very long after my enlistment & will show pretty well at what time I did enlist. Not long after the battle at Brandywine we marched into Pennsylvania & after various marching & counter-marching we engaged in the Battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777]. I marched along with the Main Army through the Jerseys first on one side of the Delaware & then on the other until we were engaged in the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778]. The battle of Monmouth is the last general engagement in which I was concerned, sometime after this, I was regularly discharged, but entrusting my discharge to an older brother for safekeeping he lost it. Some short time after my return home, my brother was drafted to serve in a southern campaign but having a helpless family I went as a substitute in his place & was engaged in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781]. But my recollection about this militia service is not nearly as distinct as in regard to my services as a regular. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency of any State.

S/ Elisha Garland

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elisha Garland". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. There is a small, faint mark above the signature that looks like a flourish or a correction.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Test: S/ Henry Ewing, Clerk of Davidson County Court

[p 10: On August 5, 1839, Lucy Garland, 77, filed in Davidson County Tennessee for a widow's pension stating that she married Elisha Garland on December 14, 1783; that her husband died on May 24, 1836. She states that they were married in what is now East Tennessee. She says that there is no

record of her marriage or the births of her children but she gives the births of her children from recollection as follows: "The first named Sally in 1784, the second in January 1786, named Polly, the third in February 1788 named Lucy, the fourth named Betsy born 31st January 1790, the fifth named William born in May 1792, the sixth named Jesse born in May 28, 1794, the seventh born January 1796 named Kitty, the eighth named Delilah born in March 1798, the eighth named Patsey born the 16th of August 1801, the 10th who is now dead named Orville Henderson whose of age would now be about 33, these were all the Jordan she had by her said husband & they would if alive now all be over 16 years of age." She signed her application with her mark.]

[facts in file: p 13, Lucy's maiden name was Reeves according to Sarah Garland, 72, who gave an affidavit dated March 7, 1839, in Perry County Tennessee; several other witnesses also testify was that the veteran and his wife were married by Joshua Kelley a Baptist minister.]

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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 muster rolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Elisha Garland a private Soldier of Captain Eaton's Company of the 3rd Regiment enlisted the 4th day of January 1777, for the term of 2 ½ years, and was discharged the 10th day of November 1778.

Given under my hand this 19th March 1833.

S/ Wm. Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$74 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year and ten months & six I days in the North Carolina Continental line and militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]