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Pension Application of William Campbell W9774 Elizabeth B. Campbell

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

State of Indiana, Warrick County

On this 26th day of October in the Year 1833 personally appeared before The Honourable John Hart one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court of the said County William Campbell a resident of Boon Township in the County of Warrick and the state of Indiana aged seventy four years who from bodily infirmity is unable to appear in open court and the said William Campbell 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as hereafter stated

That in the Year 1775 this claimant then living in the County of York in the State of South Carolina this Declarant entered the Militia Service as a Volunteer under Captain Peter Clinton for the tour of six weeks was under Col. Neal [Thomas Neel] as commandant[.] Marched out to Reedy River and there had a skirmish with the Tories during the same Year was out as a Volunteer against the indians under Captain Clinton Col Polk² commanded received no discharge as this applicant is informed he can receive no remuneration for his services during this year he is not particular in setting them forth ___ That in the year 1779 whilst living in the same county in the same state this applicant joined the Army under General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] at the White Hall with provisions for the Army and in a few days after was sent under a Sargent by the name of David McGinn with five waggons to procure arms and ammunition from Charleston South Carolina and soon after his return was discharged after a service of not less than six weeks that this applicant thinks rather[?] more during this time was in the commissary department under one John Forgee³ Waggon Master and was not assigned to any Regiment That in the same year whilst living at same place he entered the Militia Service under Captain How as a Volunteer Colonel Bratton [William Bratton] had the command rendevoused at Fishing Creek - marched towards Charleston crossed the Congaree River then Bakons bridge [Bacons Bridge] on the Cooper River where we joined General Williamson were then marched near Stono was in the engagement at Stono ferry [June 20, 1779] Recollects that Col Roberts [Owen Roberts] of the artillery was there killed was marched to Charleston where he was discharged after a three months tour during which period he was in the military service of the United States as a private whilst living in the same county in the year 1780 in the latter part of April or first of May volunterered under Captain How Col. Andrew Neil [Neel] had the command of our company Col. Sumpter [Thomas Sumter] commanded was marched on the Waters of the Congaree and on to the Waters of the Wateree was in the engagement at Rocky Mount [August 1, 1780] where Col. Neil was killed was afterwards in the engagement at Hanging Rock [August 6, 1780] against Regulars & Tories was discharged after serving three months as a private during which time he was in the military service of the United States in the fall of 1780 he again entered as volunteer under Captain How James Hawthorn Colonel for three months was marched into the neighborhood of Broad River was upon the waters of the

¹ Peter Clinton W9390

² Probably Ezekiel Polk

³ This could refer to **John Fergus W8807**

⁴ Possibly Joseph Howe or Thomas Howe

Enoree River sometime about the first of November had an engagement with Major Wemis [James Wemyss] commanding the British⁵ We were commanded by Col. Sumpter near Broad River a short time afterwards we were attacked by Col. Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] at Black Stocks [Blackstock's Plantation, Nov. 20, 1780] near the Tiger [Tyger] River was dismissed after having been in service three months during which time he was not in any employment of a Civil Nature but was in the military service of the United States

this Declarant says that he has no written evidence of his discharge or written or other documentary evidence of his services nor is he apprised of any person in being by whom he can prove his services – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State

Wm Campbell

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sworn to and subscribed to before me associate Judge as aforesaid the day and Year aforesaid John Hart, A.J.

[Supporting testimony given by William Webb, a clergyman, Isham West, and Edward Baker]

Whereupon the said John Hart Associate Judge as aforesaid propounded the following interrogatories to the said Declarant William Campbell who being duly sworn according to law made under Oath the several answers to the interrogatories as is hereinafter set forth

Where and in what year were you Born?

Answer I was born in the year 1759 near the town of Charlotte in North Carolina

Have you any record of your age; and if so where is it?

Answer I have none

Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary War, and where do you now live? I lived during the war in York County in the State of South Carolina I moved after the war to Union County same state in 1796 moved to Madison County Kentucky from thence to Logan[?] county and was there untill 1813 when I removed to this place where I now live in Warrick County Indiana

How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute; and if a substitute for whom? I volunteered every time I was out

State the names of some of the regular Officers, who were with the Troops, where you served such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your services? There was no regular officers or continental regiments with the Troops where I served in 1779 he was out twice the first time in the Commissary Department the second time was under Capt. How Col. Bratton recollects Gen. Lincoln who commanded in 1780 he served two tours both times under the command of Sumpter the circumstances of my service I cannot state more particularly owing to my loss of memory I was out as stated each time as a private I served during three years years[sic] in the Militia of South Carolina that owing to my loss of memory I am not able to state anything only as to the four several tours I have mentioned in 1779 and in 1780

Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given

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⁵ Possibly Fish Dam Ford, Nov. 9, 1780

I never received a discharge from the service

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your Present Neighbourhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity, and their belief as to your services as a soldier of the Revolution? Answer I have been for a long time acquainted with the Reverand Isam West Edward Baker and William White who can testify as to their opinion

Wm Campbell

Sworn to and subscribed before me associate Judge as aforesaid the day and year aforesaid

John Hart A.J.

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On this twenty ninth (29) day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two, personally appeared before me Zachariah Skelton Sr. Judge of the Probate Court in and for the county and state aforesaid Elizabeth B. Campbell a resident of the state of Indiana in the county of Warrick aged Seventy Six years on the 20th day of October A.D. 1842, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on her oath, make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by Act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows"

That she is the widow of William Campbell who was a private in the Army of the Revolution and served in the manner set forth in the original Declaration (or application) of the said William Campbell made by the said William Campbell to obtain the benefit of the act of 7 June, 1832, on file in the War Office of the United States to which she refers for particulars as to the service of the said William Campbell was a pensioner under said Act, viz, June 7th 1832, at the rate of [blank] dollars and [blank] cents pr. year on the Indiana Pension Roll. She further declares that she was married to the said William Campbell on the fourteenth day of March in the year One thousand seven hundred and eighty five, And that her husband the aforesaid William Campbell died on the Twenty first day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, in Warrick County Indiana that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and ninety four, viz: at the time above stated

Witness Elizabeth B. Campbell C C Graham her mark

Sworn and subscribed on the day and Year above written

Zachariah Skelton senior[?]
Judge of Probate Court, for Warrick County, Indiana

[Judge Skelton states that Elizabeth B. Campbell is unable to attend court in Boonville due to bodily infirmity]

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Be it known that before me Zachariah Skelton Sr. Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County and State, to wit (Warrick County, State of Indiana) this day personally appeared Levi Bogan who being first duly upon his said oath saith that he is aged Sixty four years according to the family record, That he is the brother of Elizabeth B. Campbell who is the widow of William Campbell who William Campbell departed this life in said Warrick County, Indiana on the Twenty first day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty Seven,. That he remembers of the marriage of the said William Campbell and Elizabeth B. Campbell in the State of South Carolina, in Union County, this affiant being then aged about seven years, and that he believes that the marriage took place on the fourteeenth

day of March in the year One thousand seven hundred and eighty five & That ever since that period that he has resided near to the said William Campbell and Elizabeth B. Campbell and that he has known all the children of the said William & Elizabeth B, whose names are recorded and birth upon the leaf of the Bible marked "A" to wit James, Jennet, Thomas, Rachael, Lettice[,] Cynthia, Polly Ann, Elizabeth & Samuel _ and that he believes that they were born at the times therein stated _ And he further says on his Oath that he is confident that the marriage took place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and ninety four[.] He further says on his oath aforesaid that that Elizabeth B. Campbell is the widow of the said William Campbell and is now his widow having never intermarried since his death, and that the said William Campbell was a pensioner of the United States on the Indiana Pension Roll. I further saith not.

Levi Bogan

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of November, 1842
Zachariah Skelton senior Jdg[?] Probate Court, Warrick Ctv. Indiana

[p. 26 Christopher Brandon, Sr.of Union County, S.C. states on May 27, 1843 that he was present at the marriage of William Campbell and Elizabeth Bogan performed by William Kennedy acting as a magistrate a few years after the Revolution.]

[The file contains the following on the children of William and Elizabeth Campbell, p. 15

James Campbell b. Dec. 14, 1786 Jennet Campbell b. Jan. 27, 1788 Thomas Campbell b. Jan. 14, 1790 Rachel Campbell b. Feb. 16, 1792 Lettice Campbell b. Feb. 11, 1796 Synthia Campbell b. Feb. 13, 1798 Polly Ann Campbell b. Feb. 13, 1801 Elizabeth Campbell b. May 20, 18[0]3 Samuel Campbell b. May 4, 18[0]6