

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Henry: W364

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State of Tennessee} On this 1st day of September one thousand eight hundred & thirty two
Sevier County}

Personally appeared before me Robert Duggan an acting Justice of the peace for the State and County aforesaid William Henry, a resident of of the county of Sevier and State of Tennessee aged 82 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That he was born in the state of Virginia, Bastly[?] County and shortly removed by his parents to Botetourt County in Va.

That he enlisted in the service in 1776 of the United States at the age of 27 in Botetourt County Virginia for two years under the command of General Han, Col. Andrew Donley [sic: Donally], Capt. McKee Ensign Jas. Gilmore [or Gilmer] & Lieut James Thompson by whom he was enlisted. That he marched thence from Botetourt County to Greenbrier County [sic: see note below] where they rendezvoused. That he marched thence, under the above named officers to Fort Randolph at the mouth of New River, Va. where he remained two years. - that then on the 10th day of August (as he believes) he was discharged in the year 1778 and returned home to Botetourt, making a term of 2. years for which time he enlisted.

Said applicant, further states, that he entered the service of the United States again for 3 months under the command of General Muningberg [sic: Muhlenberg], Col. Samuel Lewis to whose regiment he was attached at the Siege of Little York, that he messed with Robert Shadden, John Walker, Joseph Shadden &c., that he has no Documentary Evidence, and that he knows of but one person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services and that person is John Henry, whose testimony is taken, and accompanies this Declaration that the whole term of his services in the armies of the United States is two years and three months That 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid William hisXmark Henry

NOTES:

Greenbrier County, where Henry stated he was born about 1750, was formed from Botetourt County in 1778. Botetourt County was formed from Augusta County in 1769. At its formation, Greenbrier County included Point Pleasant, now in West Virginia on the Ohio River at the mouth of the Kanawha River, as the New River below Charleston is now called. Point Pleasant was the site of Fort Randolph, also known as Fort Donnally.]

A typed summary states that Henry died 1 Feb. 1835. The application of his widow, Elizabeth, is also included, with additional information about their family.