

SERVICE

NUMBER

New Jersey

Thompson, William

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19. 517
Kentucky

Williams Thompson Senr:
of Gallatin in the State of Kentucky
who was a private in the Company commanded
by Captain Poll of the 12th command
by Col. Taylor in the 1st. Regiment
has for 26 yrs from 1776

Inserted on the Roll of Kentucky
at the rate of 80 Dollars - Cents per annum
commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 16 day of Sept
- ten line 1833 and sent to Wm.
H. Johnson Great & ing. Gen.

Amount to the list of Sept: 1833 \$ 200.-
For want allowance ending 4 march 34 40

\$ 240.-

Recorded by Wm. Addison Clerk,
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{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

State of Kentucky
Gallatin County

On this 27th day of August 1833
personally appeared in Open Court, before the
Hon. David White the Judge of the Gallatin Circuit
Court, it being a court of record now sitting, William
Thompson Senr. a resident of the County and
State aforesaid aged seventy three years last
day past, who being first duly sworn accord-
-ing 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.

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United States under the following named
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He entered the service of the United States
and the State of New York, at Elizabeth Town

County not recollects, about the first day of June 1776-
as a Recruiter for the term of six months under
one Captain Potts, in a Regiment Commanded by
Colonel Taylor, he first embarked at said
Elizabeth Town. from there he was march to New
York joined General Washington, from there was
marched to Long Island, and was at the battle
of Brooklyn near the willow mills, in which battle
he was taken prisoner, remained with the British
in a prison for near a month, when he made
his escape and succeeded in ultimately getting home.
after his escape he was not required to rejoin the
Company to which they belonged, indeed the same Company
was never reorganized again as they were all
taken prisoners or killed. Lord Stirling Commanded
the American forces at the battle of Red Bank - some
~~day~~ time afterwards, which from age and imperfec-
tion of memory he is unable to state with precision
but he thinks in the Spring or summer of 1779
he volunteered in the County of Dutchess New York
under one Major Starbuck to go against Stony Point
there was about one hundred men volunteered under

The said Major starts the Captain who was to have
Commanded was by the name of Plank but he
was latter sick & did not come on. he joined General
Wayne about fifteen miles from Stony Point
a short time before the battle, he was in it, and
was near General Wayne when he got shot in the
head, a short time after the battle he was
recharged with the rest of the troops with whom
he volunteered, from imperfection of memory he is un-
-able to state how long he ~~was~~ volunteered for in
in this expedition - Some time afterwards the
time not recollectd there was a requisition for
Militia to serve a term of six months from the
state of New Jersey. The Militia were so classd
that every eighth were to furnish one man
who at Somerset Court House in the State of
he was employed by said Clap as a substitute
or to serve in their place for six months, which
he did, by entering the Company of one Captain
Lott, who was attached to Colonel Fay's Com-
mand. he underwent at Elizabeth town and
staid there and ^{its} vicinity in service for the said term

of six months, while in this service he was employed a considerable time in building a fort at Elizabeths Town point, and in watching the movements of the Bonticks & preventing their coming into the state of New Jersey from Staten Island, after his said term or term of six months expired he received a discharge from Captain Sloth, which he has long since lost not deeming it of value to him. Some time afterwards, perhaps a year time not recollecte he entered the Company of one Captain Small as

a substitute for one _____ whose name he has forgotten for the term of three months, he entered this service near Morris town in New Jersey he joined the Army at Springfield, he does not recollect who had the command of these troops, some of them were from Virginia, whilst in this service he was engaged in a fight with some Bontick forces at Springfield, when we drove the Bonticks to Elizabeth Town. afterwards the said Company of Captain Small was marched up to Morris town and there discharged, he was discharged as the other troops were he has no recollection of getting

a written discharge. ~~He~~ he volunteered
for a short period time not recollects under
Captain Bank at Princeton New Jersey and
joined the troops at Monmouth, and was at
the celebrated battle at that place,
He was also in the service ~~under~~ said
Capt Bank for another short space of time
and was with Washington at a place called
Mills Town in New Jersey where he took 300
prisoners. was with the troops in several encam-
pments in the neighborhood & in the direction to
Philadelphia. In these two expeditions or
last two mentioned services, he does not recollect
for what period of time he volunteered, or how
long he served, nor does he recollect the years
in which they took place, he being old and
of imperfect memory. He also at another
time served as a substitute for one
whose name is not recollects, for one month
under Captain Banabole ~~of~~ for which he
received two Dollars, he was engaged in guarding the

under Washington at a place about two miles
from New Brunswick, place not recollectd whilst
Washington was making fortifications, - during
which time a troop of British marched to
Somersetts Court House, burnt the Court House
& Jail, and let the prisoners out, as this
troop of British returned they were way laid
by the troops to which he was attached and
they killed 18 of the British. He served in
all of the above stated services a period of
upwards of two years, as he is confident but
is unable for the cause aforesaid to speak with
precision as to all the times. He knew Genl
Washington, General Wayne, Lord Stirling, Genl
Maxwell, Colm. Taylor, General Sullivan, Major
Blunt & many others whose names are not now
recollectd. He moved to the state of Kentucky
and settled in Woodford in the year 1789, ^{eighty nine} remained
there about nine years, & then moved to Gallatin
County where he has resided ever since. He has
no documentary evidence, and he knows of no persons
whose testimony he can procure who can testify

to his services - he has no rec^d of his age
his uncle, George Thompson informed him in his
youth that he was born on the 4th day of May
1760 - 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 any
agency of any state - Sworn to and subscribed
the day and year aforesaid.

Sworn to by Wm Thompson, Williams & Thompson
Aug 27th 1833 in open Court
at Wm Wmsboro

The Joshua Mayland and John Haydon, residing
in the county of Gallatin, hereby certify that we
are well acquainted with William Thompson who
has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration
that we believe him to be seventy three years of
age that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood
where he resides, to have been a soldier of the revolution
and that we concur in that opinion sworn and subscribed
the day and year aforesaid.

Sworn to in open Court
by Mayland & Sanders.
Aug 27 1833 at Wm Wmsboro

Joshua Mayland
John W. Haydon
Lewis Sanders

Frankfort, September 3^d 1833

Dear Sir

Whilst attending the late term
of the Gallatin Circuit Court I prepared
for William Thompson now residing near Ghent
his declaration, claiming a pension under the
act of 1832 - ^{which I now enclose you} you know Mr. Thompson personally
and can vouch for him, You also know my
uncle Lewis Sanders who has signed & sworn to the
certificate of reputation of Thompson - and can
also speak of him. I think you also know Joshua
Wycland, a very respectable old man residing on
White Run, in Gallatin County near the Boom road -
the reason that there was no preacher ^{to certify} was because
none resides in or near Ghent, nor was there one
at Fort William during court, and I suppose your
knowledge of the applicants, and of my uncle &
of Judge White, would be sufficient - I have
known Thompson, myself for near twenty five
years in all which time he claimed to have
been a soldier of the revolution & spoke of
the same as set forth in his petition - please

forward his declaration on to the Department -
and requests an early attention to it. Thompson is
now very poor, one of his own children has defamed
him by some trucking out of the home he
had improved, & he is living with his other children
on the best terms he can. Mayson who had
his name inserted & signed the certificate, had to
leave town before the Court could examine
the witnesses or applicants - for which reason
his name is inserted.

Respectfully
L. Sanders Jr

Lewis Sanders Jr who is the above is our
Secretary of State & may be relied on as
stating the truth. Also know the able
Clerk Thompson & his vouchers Lewis

Sanders & Joshua Mayland & they are as
respectable men as live in Gallatin
County

Rhine Johnson