

SERVICE

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Wells, John

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Kentucky

John Wells
of Gallatin born the State of Kentucky
who was a private in the co. commanded
by Captain Jones of the regt. commanded
by [unclear] in the [unclear]
line for 6 months

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky
at the rate of 20 Dollars & 4 Cents per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension given the 2^d day of Dec.
1833 and Thomas
J. Berryman Inventor
Arrears to the 1st of Sept 20.00
Pension allowance ending 4 March 10.00

\$60.00

{ Revolutionary Claim,
Not June 7, 1832 }

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APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFER.

County of *Clinton*

ss.

On this *1st* day of *February* 183*9*,
before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the said County of
Clinton personally appeared *John D. Co.*

of said County who, on his oath, declares that he is the same
person who formerly belonged to the company commanded by Captain

William H. Hays in the Regiment commanded by Colonel

Abner Post in the service of the United States; that

his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of *Indiana*

from whence he has lately removed; that he now resides in the State (District,

or Territory,) of *Indiana* where he intends to

remain, and wishes his pension to be there payable, in future. The follow-

ing are his reasons for removing from *the State of Indiana*

to *the State of Indiana* *Clinton County* *Indiana*

that he does not know in the State of Indiana

he thought that it would be better to live on a farm

and to be near his family

Sworn and subscribed to before me, } *the day and year aforesaid.* }

the day and year aforesaid.

Joseph Hays

The oath to be taken before a duly qualified Magistrate, whose official character and signature must be certified by the proper officer, under his seal of office. The County Clerk, Secretary of State, or some other officer, must certify, under his seal of office, that the officer who administered the oath is a Justice of the Peace, Judge, Mayor, Alderman, or Notary Public, as the case may be, and that the signature purporting to be his is genuine.

The oath must be supported by the testimony of some respectable person, as to the pensioner's identity. He must swear that the person who has taken the above oath is the person described in the affidavit. The Magistrate must certify that the witness is a person of veracity; and the affidavit must also be authenticated in the manner above directed.

Pension Office.

The evidence in support of your claim, under the act of June 7, 1832, has been examined, and the papers are herewith returned. The following is a statement of your case in a tabular form. On comparing these papers with the following rules and the subject-matter, you will readily perceive that objections exist, which must be removed, before a pension can be allowed. The notes and the regulations will show what is necessary to be done. Those points to which your attention is more particularly directed, you will find marked in the margin with a brace, (thus, {). You will, when you return your papers to this Department, send this pointed letter with them, and you will, by complying with this request, greatly facilitate the investigation of your claim.

A Statement, shewing the Service of John Wells

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. L. EDWARDS,

Commissioner of Pensions.

State of Kentucky
Callahan County

On this 15th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Callahan County Court now sitting John Mills a resident of the said County and State ~~and~~ aged 169 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 is to say being a resident of the County of Surry in the State of North Carolina he entered the service of the United States on the day of Novr 1780 as a drafted militia man and private soldier in the company of Capt Jones. That he rendezvoused with his company at the Court House in the said County and was immediately detached by his Colo. under the command for the regiment whose name was Gabriel Jones to assist in preparing provisions of all descriptions for the army which was then in the State of North Carolina under Genl Greene. He states that his tour of duty under his said draft was for six months and that he continued during the whole of his said tour under by virtue of the order of his Colo. engaged in aiding and assisting the said Company to procure & prep Beef & Corn & other articles for the use of the Army. That he aided in this matter and during his tour of service he recollects that the battles of the Cowpens, Guilford & Ramsays Mills were fought. He states and declares that at the termination of his said tour of duty in the month of May 1781 having fully and faithfully served out the same he was discharged and returned home. He states and declares that his tour was for six months and that he actually served out the same fully and faithfully.

He states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

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

John ^{his} Wells
Mat.

Interrogatories put to the above named applicant by the Court
1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in Williamsburg Va. in the year 1764

2^d Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?
Answer I have at home.

3^d Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live?

Answer I lived in Curry County North Carolina when I was called into service, and there remained for 17 or 18 years after the war and then I moved to Crayson County Va. where I remained for about 7 years and then moved to Adair County Ky. and from thence I moved to Lincoln County Ky. and from thence to Mercer County Ky. and from thence to Nelson County Ky. and from thence about 3 years ago to Callahan County Ky. where I have continued to live ever since.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted did you volunteer, or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom?

Answer I was drafted.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such as Continentals and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer I recollect Capt. Greaves, Capt. Will and Morgan and Colo. Clarke and Martin and Major McDevell. I was drafted and as soon as I responded with my company I was detached to assist in picking provisions for the army and continued in that employment in that service during the term for which I was drafted.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer I rec^d a discharge signed by my officer, which I have lost
yet 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 of your service as a soldier of
the revolution -

Answer I will name ~~James McDowell~~ ^{James McDowell} & Henry Vance

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid
John ^{his} Mills
mark

We A McDowell ~~a clergyman~~ residing in Gallatin
County Kentucky and Henry Vance residing in the same
County and state hereby certify that we are well acquainted
with John Mills who has subscribed and sworn to the above
declaration that we believe him to be 69 years of age that ~~we~~
~~we have heard him say that he was a soldier of the revolution and it is~~
~~his reputation in the neighbourhood where he resides & we have not heard it doubted~~
~~and that we concur~~
in that opinion -

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid -

Henry M. Danner
David C. Doubell

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion after
the investigation of the matter and after putting the interroga-
-tories prescribed by the War Department that the above named
applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he
states. And the Court further certifies that it appears to them
that A. McDowell ~~who has signed the preceding certificate~~
is a ~~clergyman~~ ^{are credible persons} residing in Gallatin County Kentucky and
that H. M. Vance who has also signed the same is a
resident of the same County and state and ~~are credible persons~~
and their statements are entitled to credit & that there is no clergyman living in
his neighbourhood

By Bullock } Justice of the
John Foster } Gallatin County
George D. Sullivan } Court

February 5, 1940.

Leslie D. Johnston
1st Lieut. 335th Inf. Res.
Earlham College
Richmond, Indiana.

BA-J/ILL
John Wells
S. 32581

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of John Wells, who served in Sharp's Company, 10th North Carolina Regiment, and in which you cite a John Wells who was a pensioner of Gallatin County, Kentucky, in 1832.

A search of the Revolutionary War records of this office has been made and only one claim for pension found based upon service of a John Wells of North Carolina. He was a pensioner of Gallatin County, Kentucky, in 1832. His record follows as found in the papers on file in pension claim, S. 32581.

John Wells was born in the year 1764, in Williamsburg, Virginia; the names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Surry County, North Carolina, he enlisted in November 1780, as a private in Captain Jones' company, was immediately detached by his colonel, whose name was not given, to serve in the commissary department under Gabriel Jones and continued six months. It was stated further that he served as a private in Captain Andrew Hampton's company, Colonel Absalom Bostick's regiment and in Captain Henry Hampton's company, Colonel Joseph Winston's regiment, dates and other details of these services not stated. It was not stated that he served in Captain Sharp's company, 10th North Carolina regiment.

He continued to reside in Surry County, North Carolina, for about seventeen years after the war, then moved to Grayson County, Virginia, and resided about seven years, then moved to Adair County, Kentucky, thence to Lincoln County, Kentucky, from there to Mercer County,

Kentucky, thence to Nelson County, Kentucky, afterwards to Gallatin County, Kentucky.

John Wells was allowed pension on account of his service in the Revolutionary War on his application executed October 15, 1833, at which time he resided in Gallatin County, Kentucky; he had resided in that county for three years. In October 1834, this soldier had moved from Kentucky and resided near Thornton, Boone County, Indiana, also his residence in March 1835; in 1839, he resided in Clinton County, Indiana.

Reference was made to this soldier's family and to his daughter, but the name of his wife, date of their marriage, and the name of said daughter, or of any other children, were not stated.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, name of person paid and, possibly, the date of death of this pensioner, you should address The Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, this city and cite the following data:

John Wells
Certificate #25180
Issued December 2, 1833
Rate \$20 per annum
Commenced March 4, 1831
Act of June 7, 1832
Indiana Agency (transferred from Kentucky Agency).

Very truly yours,

A. D. HILLER,
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator.