Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Tucker R10736

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State of Tennessee, Rutherford County County Court August Sessions 1832

On this 24th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the worshipful Henry Trott James C. Mitchell & Benjamin C. Ransom Esquires Justices of the court of pleas & quarter sessions of said County of Rutherford now sitting, James Tucker, aged Seventy 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States, in the year 1782 as he believes, he thinks it was about twelve months after Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780], (his memory however has greatly failed him & he may mistake as to time, it was in the summer June or July). He was enlisted in Randolph County State of North Carolina, by one McGibbens [probably Patrick McGibbony, a recruiter for the NC Line, to serve for three years or during the war on the Continental establishment North Carolina line, was taken to Guilford Court house & thence to Hillsboro, where he met with the Captain who commanded the company. His name was William Lytle, Charles Jarratt [perhaps Charles Gerrard] was first Lieutenant, Campbell second Lieutenant – the Regiment he was attached to was commanded by Col. Archibald Lytle, we marched by Guilford & Camden to Ashley Hill on Ashley River where we joined the Army commanded by General Greene [Nathanael Greene]. Then marched to Sullivan's island, where we remained until sometime in July 1783 when we were disbanded his having been proclaimed. This Declarant was in the service 12 months, got a discharge but has long since lost it. He was in no battle.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State whatever.

S/ James Tucker

Janes Sulla,

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid S/ J. R. Laughlin, Clk

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War Department, Pension Office, December 21, 1832

Sir,

The declaration of James Tucker has been examined & placed in the files in this office. His name appears on the Rolls of the North Carolina line in this office but it is remarked opposite his name, "deserted 10 December 1782." Mustered for the war January 1783. His having deserted the service debars him from any allowance for his services previous to the time at which he deserted, and his subsequent services up to the conclusion of the Revolutionary war, were too short a period to enable him under the pension laws to any allowance.

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