Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Wall R11060 Molly fn44NC
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[fn p. 11]

State of North Carolina Wake County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this 20th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting for the County aforesaid (it being a court of record) Jesse Wall a resident of the County of Wake in North Carolina, aged seventy-nine years in this present month of May, 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 of the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the war of the Revolution some time in the latter part of the summer or first of the fall of 1779, under one Captain Woodson Daniel Lieutenant James Harrod and Ensign William Mobley -- all of the County of Wake in North Carolina as well as this declarant [recollects]. That they rendezvoused at Wake Court House and that some time in the month of October of 1779 the company took up the line of march to the South -- and marched to Hillsboro, to Salisbury and was marched to join the Army of the South under General Lincoln. That his commanding Colonel was named Scurlock and Major Sharpe and General Butler [John Butler] of the militia of North Carolina commanded, that he entered the service as a substitute for his father Arthur Wall who was drafted for a tour of 6 months in the militia, that he served with the southern Army his full term of 6 months and was discharged at a small place on Savannah River in South Carolina called Purrysburg as he now thinks -- that he has now no recollection of the names of Continental officers with whom he served, he remembers well that he saw General Lincoln, and many other regulars, but as he is wholly illiterate (never having been taught ever to read) he has had no means of refreshing his recollections with names, [indecipherable word] He was never particularly acquainted with. That sometime in the fall of 1780 he cannot now state the particular month, he was drafted in the militia of Wake County to serve a tour of three months, and was put under the command of a Captain Bryant or Bryan and Lieutenant Thomas Criddle and was marched to Salisbury North Carolina where he was stationed to guard a number of Tory Prisoners, that while there, he and his entire company were placed under a Captain Johnston and commanded by Major Sharpe, that he so remained at Salisbury until his term of service had fully expired and he was discharged.

He further states that some time in the month of July 1780, he cannot state the particular

day, he volunteered for the Term of two months in the cavalry commanded by a Major McClary, and he thinks his name was John -- with the said McClary he marched from Hillsboro North Carolina to Camden South Carolina, then over into the fork of the Congaree & Wateree, and was on the day of the Battle of Eutaw Springs eight miles from the battle, attending his sick commander as a servant. He cannot state the day of his discharge -- But remembers that so soon as his commanding officer could travel he returned to North Carolina near Hillsboro with five others of the troops, and was at the termination of two months discharged -- which he thinks was about the last of September.

That some time in the year 1782, he again volunteered his services, for the term of three months, and was employed under the command of one Solomon Terrell who was called Major Terrell in the commissaries department. His business was to collect provisions, bought for the public use, and to cart them to the public store kept at one James Alford's in Wake County, and at the end of his 3 months he was discharged, it being his last Tour in the Service of his Country in the war of the revolution;

He relinquishes all other claims to a pension and is not on the pension roll of any state. Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day & year above written.

S/ Jesse Wall, X his mark

Questions by the court, and answers of declarant

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer, In the County of Northampton in the State of North Carolina, and from the best information in 1754.

To Question 2nd. I have no record of my age, I have always been told that I was born in Me after Dred Rogers who was born in March, and his Brother Owen Rogers has given me a memorandum of Captain Dread's age which was 79 last March.

To 3rd Question. I was living in Wake County when first called into service, and have continued to live in the same County ever since -- Have lived here from the time I was 7 years old. To Question 4th. He says he entered the service as a substitute for his father Arthur Wall, and served six months as a substitute for his said father, his second tour for three months which he served at Salisbury he went as a drafted militia man -- it being his regular turn to serve, he next volunteered for two months in the cavalry and served in South Carolina, he next volunteered three months and served in the commissaries department.

To the 5th Question, he answers. That he has stated all the particulars of his service in his declaration that he can now remember, he can well recollect General Lincoln, General Ashe, General Butler, Colonel Scurlock, Major Sharpe, Major McClary, he cannot give the names of any particular corps with which he served.

To the 6th Question, he answers that he had several written discharges, but has now lost them. To the 7th Question he answers, that his father Arthur Wall for whom he served his first Tour of duty of six months is still living being now about one hundred years old. His brother Burwell Wall who served three months with him at Salisbury and who is in his seventy-six year and is still living and he recollects no person now living with whom he served, he has been known to Colonel Allen Rogers for a great number of years as also to our representative in Congress for the last 20 years, he is known to the Reverend John [indecipherable last name] but does not know if he can cure his testimony, he is also known to Aaron Rodgers & Cyrus Whitaker Esquire and to many other respectable gentlemen.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court

S Jesse Wall, X his mark

Burwell Wall aged 75 years, Personally appeared in open Court, who being first sworn according to law doth upon his oath say that he is the brother of Jesse Wall the above applicant for a Pension. That he was drafted into the same company of Militia to serve a three months tour in the fall of 1780 and marched with the said Jesse Wall under Captain Bryant to Salisbury and was with him transferred to the command of Captain Johnston, and served out the said Term with the said Jesse. He further states that he remembers well that the said Jesse went into the service of each of the several times as stated in his declaration and it has ever been a family tradition that the said Jesse served as he has set forth in his declaration to wit one Tour of six months as a substitute for his father Arthur Wall, one of three months under Captain Bryant & Johnston -- one Tour of two months as a volunteer in the cavalry, and a tour of three months in the commissaries department.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the 20th day of May 1833

S/ Burwell Wall, X his mark

[D. L. Barringer & Cyrus Whitaker gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 6: on August 15, 1843 in Johnston County North Carolina, Molly Wall, 78 years on September 16 next, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Jesse Wall a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him February 15, 1793; that her husband died April 11, 1842.]

[fn p. 7: on August 16, 1843 in Johnston County North Carolina Mrs. Elizabeth Wall, 70 years old, gave testimony in support of the claim of Molly Wall stating that she was present at the marriage of Jesse Wall to Molly Perry; that they were married by one Robert Gully a magistrate in Johnston County on February 15 1793.]

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State of North Carolina Johnston County

On the 17th day of August 1843 personally appeared before me James Stallings one of the Magistrates for Johnston County, Jesse Green aged about eighty-one years who after having been duly sworn, doth, upon his oath make the following statement to wit: That some short time before the battle at Brier Creek, he and Jesse Wall were drafted in this County for the term of six months and were marched from this County under the command of Captain William Ward. The number of the Regiment and the Officers in command he does not recollect. That he was well acquainted with Jesse Wall and knows that he served in the war of the Revolution the term for which he was drafted to wit 6 months.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 17th day of August 1843 S/ James Stallings, JP S/ Jesse Green

[fn p. 4: J. R. Wall filed a claim in Johnston County North Carolina stating that he is an heir and administrator of the estate of his grandmother Molly Wall deceased; that Molly Wall died in January 1851 and during her life time had applied for a widows pension under the 1838 act as the widow of Jesse Wall, which claim had been denied. He appoints an attorney to pursue recovery on his grandmother's claim.]

¹ This possibly is the same man as <u>Jesse Green W11084</u>, but if so, this veteran is claiming service that he did not set forth in his own pension application.

[Veteran was pensioned at of \$38.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 11 months service in the North Carolina militia.]