Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wilson R11687 Transcribed by Will Graves fn41NC¹ 1/20/11

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State of South Carolina Anderson District: SS

On this 26th day of May A.D. 1854 personally appeared in open Court before me Herbert Hammond Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the district and State aforesaid, (the said Court being a Court of Record) Robert Wilson a resident of South Carolina in the District of Abbeville & formerly a resident of this District to me well-known, aged about seventy-three 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 is informed and verily believes that his father William Wilson (who died on or about the month of November A.D. 1834 in Pickens District in the State aforesaid aged eighty-six years,) Entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, (to wit) Colonel ____ Hamilton, Major O'Neal and in the Company commanded by Captain Wilson, and that he entered the said service, in the early part of the revolutionary war, he thinks the first year of the War, which this deponent has heard his father repeatedly assert, the day and month not known, and that he served through the war, but not all the time under the aforesaid officers, but cannot remember to have heard him say what the names of those other officers were that he believes his father resided in the State of North Carolina Guilford County at the time of his Entering the said service as aforesaid, and that he was a volunteer, and this declarant remembers to have heard his father say that he was in a battle at Brier Creek, also at the Cowpens and at Guilford Court House, and other skirmishes, which he does not now remember, through South Carolina and North Carolina, and that he was a soldier and present at Yorktown at the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis these statements are from the relation of the incidents by this declarant's father, which he he distinctly remembers to have heard from him, and that he has no other documentary Evidence than which he has submitted and to which he refers the Department and he hereby relinquishes every claim of a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that the name of the aforesaid William Wilson has never been on any pension Roll to the best of this declarant's knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year aforesaid.

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S/ Robert Wilson

S/ Herbert Hammond, Judge

Robert Wilson

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Alabama Benton County: Personally appeared before me Spartan Allen one of the Magistrates appointed to keep the peace in said County – Charles Smith,² who after being duly sworn according to law & on oath saith that he is a revolutionary Soldier. & is now drawing a pension for his services in said war, was acquainted with William Wilson before the said war commenced & knew him to be a blacksmith by trade & knew when he left home to go into the service a short time after the said war commenced, & that I did not go for some time after, William Wilson, but when I joined the Army, in a short time I fell in a company with William Wilson in the Army, Captain Wilson, Major O'Neal, & Colonel Hamilton, was the officers to the best of my recollection. O'Neal was the Major I know for I was well acquainted with him, Though he (O'Neal) must have been a Captain at the commencement (as I was not a member of that company I cannot say) as to the No. of the Regiment, I do not recollect. I staid but a short time when I was removed to the lower part of North Carolina & did not see William Wilson anymore until the battles of Cowpens & Guilford Court House & I do say I met with him again & to the best of my knowledge he served as a soldier during the whole war, & as a blacksmith at [indecipherable word or words] times for the Regiment, as I was informed by his brother Soldiers.

Sworn to before me this 14th day of December A.D. 1853 S/ Spartan Allen, Magistrate S/ Charles Smith, X his mark

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South Carolina Anderson District: Personally appeared William Hubbard³ (A Revolutionary Soldier who is now drawing a Pension for his services in said War) before me James Mullikin one of the acting Magistrates for the District aforesaid who being sworn in due form of law on oath saith that he was acquainted with William Wilson from the time he was 12 years old to his death both lived in that time in Guilford County North Carolina always understood that he the said William Wilson left home to go to the War before he did being older than he was does not know what Regiment he served in as they never met together as he recollects during their service but always understood at that time and since that he was a soldier in the War do not recollect how long he served then living near to him in this State 40 years and have frequently heard him talk of his Services in the War and relate Ceans [sic, scenes?] And circumstances that took place in said War and have no doubt of his Services in the said Revolutionary War. He always bore the character of an honest man a true friend to his Country and after the War as a Revolutionary Soldier.

Sworn to before me this 27th day of August 1853 S/ James Mullikin, M.A.D.

S/ William Hubbard, X his mark

² I could not identify this veteran at the time I made this transcription.

³ FPA S21310