Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wright R11893 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Georgia Jasper County: SS

On this 27th day of October 1834 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the Oakmulgee Circuit in said State of Georgia, John Wright a resident of said County of Jasper aged seventy-eight years (past) 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the fall of the year 1780 under Lieutenant Covington in Lunenburg County State of Virginia & served in the 2nd Regiment of the Continental line (Virginia) under the following named officers to wit Colonel Greene [perhaps Col. John Green] commanded the Regiment & Captain Ovelton [sic, Overton?] & Lieutenant Quarles were his company officers – this deponent enlisted for the term of eighteen months - this deponent resided in the said County of Lunenburg at the time of his enlistment - shortly after his enlistment he was marched to Petersburg & from thence to the South under the said Colonel Greene to join the Army of General Greene – shortly after his Regiment joined General Greene, the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] took place, in which deponent took part in the Regiment of Colonel Greene, this battle he thinks, took place in March 1781 – a short time after this he thinks in April, he was engaged in the battle of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781, also known as the Second Battle of Camden], & was wounded through the thigh together with five out of six of his mess – Sergeant Still being amongst the number – deponent was then carried to the Hospital at Charlotte North Carolina & so soon as he recovered he again joined General Green at the High Hills of Santee; from that place this deponent was marched with the Army & attacked the British under Colonel Stewart at Eutaw Springs on the 8th of September 1781, this deponent still belonging & fighting in the 2nd Virginia Regiment – this deponent continued with the Army until his enlistment expired and was regularly discharged at Salisbury North Carolina 1782 after having served his 18 months deponent states that his discharge is lost. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid S/ William B Stokes, Clerk S/ John Wright, X his mark

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Georgia Newton County: Before me John Holcomb a Justice of the peace in & for said County Personally came Shepherd Mize¹ who being duly sworn deposeth & saith on oath that he

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is well acquainted with John Wright of Jasper County & said State that he knew him well in the County of Lunenburg State of Virginia, where he the said Wright & this deponent were both born & raised in the same neighborhood – this deponent well recollects that the said John Wright in the year 1780 (he thinks in the fall of that year) enlisted for 18 months as a soldier in the 2nd Virginia Regiment belonging to the Continental line commanded by Colonel Greene the officers that he enlisted said right was Lieutenant John Covington. The said Wright was enlisted in the said County of Lunenburg & was marched off shortly thereafter to the South. This deponent afterwards entered the service himself and met with said Wright at the Cheraw Hills in South Carolina he was still attached to the said 2nd Regiment then at that place under the command of General Nathanael Greene – This deponent was there at the same time attached to Colonel John Glenn's Regiment of Militia and in Captain Thredgill's Company. –

This deponent has no knowledge of either direct or indirect of the said right having ever received any compensation for his services as a soldier or a revolutionary claimant.

S/ Shepherd Mize, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 2nd day of June 1835 S/ John Holcombe, JP

[f p 7: Power of attorney executed in Randolph County Alabama on July 27, 1854 by Sylvester Junier [?] and wife, Sarah Junier,² daughter and heir at law of John Wright deceased of Jasper County Georgia

Sarah Junie

² In a letter dated July 28, 1854 from an attorney, he spells the names of the heirs as "Silvester Junaur and Sary Junaur" heirs of "John Rite."