Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Tatum R20437 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Georgia, Crawford County

Know all men by these presents that I Richard Tatum of said County of Crawford in said State of Georgia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private soldier in Captain Taylor's Company in Colonel Brown's Regiment of the Continental line and I also declare that I afterwards received a Certificate for the reward of \$80 to which I was entitled by a resolve of Congress passed on the 15th day of May 1778 and do further declare that I was not on the pension list of the United States on the 15th day of March 1828 I also further declare that I had a discharge but that the same is lost or mislaid so that I cannot find it.

The foregoing Statement sworn to & Subscribed before me this 23rd day of July 1828. S/W. H. Brooks, JP CC

S/ Richard Tatum, X his mark

[Lewis Mobley, Miscel Lamb, Jesse Tatum, James Lamb and Moore Tatum, all citizens of Crawford County gave an affidavit as to the reputation of Richard Taylor him as a soldier of the revolution and their belief of his having so served.

Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,

August 23, 1828

Richard Tatum of __ in the County of Crawford in the State of Georgia has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and

continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain Taylor's Company, in the Colonel Brown's regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
23rd April 1829

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to __ in the ___

It further appears that Richard Tatum is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—at the rate of ___ dollars per month.

The name of Richard Tatum cannot be found among those of the North Carolina line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of Eighty Dollars were issued.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

War Department: Bounty land office 29 April 1829

The records of this office do not show that Richard Tatum of the North Carolina line ever received or is entitled to bounty land of the United States.

S/ Robert Taylor

Knoxville Cranford County Georgia 7th February 1829 Sir

sure letter has been received and in reply have to state that I enlisted in the State of North Carolina and marched under Captain Taylor to General Green's [Nathanael Greene's] Army in South Carolina. I joined General Greene's Army at Cheraw Hills in South Carolina upon Big Pedee [River] was mustered under Colonel Brown – I can state nothing more that not now recollect.

Respectfully &c S/ Richard Tatum, X his mark

Teste S/ Hiram Warner Hon. Richard Rush, Washington City