## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of Peter Benjamin Salle R9155 Transcribed by Will Graves f15VA 1/7/12: rev'd 12/31/19

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State of Kentucky County of Harrison: SS

On this 9th day of May A.D. 1850 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace of Harrison County Peter Benjamin Salle a resident of Harrison County and State aforesaid aged ninety-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 A.D. 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and as herein stated that he entered the service on or about the \_\_day of May 1780 at Martinsburg in the County of Bartley [Berkeley] in the State of Virginia that he served in the company of volunteers commanded by Captain Snipes in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Flournoy [?<sup>1</sup>] [possibly Lt. Col. Thomas Flournoy] and under General Marion that at the time he entered said service he resided in the County of Bartley and State of Virginia that he marched through Georgetown South Carolina and some other towns that he has forgot that he was engaged in the following named Battles or scrimmages he helped at the taking of the Tories on Pedee [River] in South Carolina he also was at the scrimmage at the Blue house or Tavern where some 30 Americans took 40 [?]<sup>2</sup> British soldiers and Tories and released 200 American prisoners in South Carolina and some other scrimmages which he can not remember the names of that he continued in actual service for the term of one year and eleven months and was honorably discharged from service at Britton's neck in the State of South Carolina about the \_\_\_ day of April A.D. 1782 and further states that he has no record evidence nor Documentary of any friend to prove his services by Henry Whalin proves that he was a soldier in the revolution he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state.

Question by the court where and in what year were you born Answer Berks [could be Bucks] County Pennsylvania 1763 sometime in May Question have you any record of your age if so where is it Answer I have none question where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the

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revolutionary war or were you a substitute [sic]

I was living in Bartley County in the State of Virginia I lived a few years afterwards in said County and State and then lived about 4 years near Barrington in the State of Pennsylvania and about 15 years in Pendleton County Kentucky 10 years in Bracken County Kentucky and have lived in Harrison County Kentucky 33 years

Question how were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or go as a substitute who were with the troops where you served state the general circumstances of your service

Answer I volunteered General & F. Marion was the Commander Flouney was the Carnel [Colonel] and Snipes was my Capt. We followed scouting and scrimmaging with the British and Tories we could not be called an army we would lay in the swamps kill a party of British or Tories would come along and then make a rush upon them and maybe not be in that part again for some time

Question did you ever receive a discharge and if so where is it

Answer I never received a writing discharge

Question State the names of some persons who know you in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character [for] veracity and their belief that you served as a soldier in the revolution

Answer Henry Whalin and Elisebeth Ward know me and can testify as to my character [for] veracity and their belief as to my service.

S/ Peter Benjamin Salle

[Henry Whalan and Elisebeth Ward gave the standard supporting affidavit

[p 14: Henry Whalan gave testimony "that he is 85 years old and remembers well the Revolutionary years he states he has known the Applicant Peter Benjamin Salle ever since he was a small Boy and remembers well of his service in said War and knows that he served in the said war under General Marion in South Carolina."

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