Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Wilson S14855 fn13NC
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State of Kentucky County of Hopkins: SS

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court for the County aforesaid now sitting Josiah Wilson a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged seventy-two years who being 1st 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 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

That he was born in Bartee [sic, Bertie] County in the State of North Carolina in the year 1760 that he substituted in said County for his father (the date not recollected) & served a tour of three months under Captain Allen Ramsey of the North Carolina Militia – that he marched through Wilmington & George Town [Georgetown] to Charleston in South Carolina – that he served in Charleston while it was besieged by Sir H. Clinton [Henry Clinton] & just before the city surrendered his term expired & he returned home – he received from his Captain a written discharge – but left the same in North Carolina when he removed to this Country.

That he substituted in said County of Bertie his place of residence in May 1781 for one Thomas Baysmore under Captain Nott for twelve months – that he rendezvoused at Winton in Hertford County North Carolina and marched thence through Halifax County North Carolina to Granville Courthouse where he joined General Sumner & stayed about a month – he thence marched through Hillsboro North Carolina, thence to Salisbury where the Regiment was divided into Companies and he was placed in the company of Captain Robert Raiford in Colonel Dixon's Regiment – he thence marched to the High Hills of Santee and joined the Army under Major the General Nathaniel Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. He was in the battle at the Eutaw Springs – thence marched near to Bacons Bridge across the Ashley River – then returned and crossed the Santee at Haley's ferry to the High Hills of Santee and after remaining there some time marched near to Ninety Six & through Jacksonborough near to James Island then to within two miles of Bacons Bridge aforesaid where he remained until his time expired in 1782 when he was discharged and went home – he received a written discharge but left the same in Carolina at the time he was discharged his company was commanded by Captain Litle [sic, Little or Lytle] the Captain Raiford having been promoted. After the revolution he resided in Bertie North Carolina

until he removed to Hopkins County Kentucky where he now resides.

He states that he has no documentary evidence and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. 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 the Agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Josiah Wilson, X his mark

[Charles Campbell, a clergyman, and Samuel Whitesides gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Kentucky Hopkins County: SS

Be it remembered that heretofore, to wit, at a court held for the County aforesaid at the Court house in the town of Madisonville on the 13th day of August 1832 the following entry of among others was made in the minutes of said Court viz.

"Josiah Wilson a soldier of the revolution & applicant for a pension this day produced in court his declaration under an act passed June 7th 1832 and subscribed and swore to the same. And the certificate of Charles Campbell & Samuel Whitesides thereunder written was also subscribed & sworn to in open Court.

Whereupon the Court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department that the above applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states. And the Court further certifies that it appears to them that Charles Campbell who subscribed the certificate above mentioned is a clergyman in the County of Hopkins and that Samuel Whitesides who also signed the same is a resident of the same County in the neighborhood of said applicant & is a credible person and that their testimony is entitled to credit."

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.45 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 13 months and 28 days service as a private in the North Carolina militia and Continental Line.]