

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Brown S17848

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State of South Carolina Chester District: SS: On this 9th Day of April 1836 personally appeared in open Court before Peter Wylie Judge of the Court of Ordinary now sitting John Brown a resident of State and District aforesaid aged eighty-one or eighty-two 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. 1st Tour volunteered in Captain John Nixon's Company he thinks in the Winter of 1775 marched from what is now called Chester District through what is now called Columbia South Carolina & from thence to Saluda River thence to Raybours Creek [sic, Rabun's Creek] where they took some Tories prisoners the Snow fell which gave the campaign the name of the Snowy Camps Colonel Richardson was his Colonel Served not less than six weeks. 2nd Tour volunteered in Captain John Nixon's Company marched in the summer of 1775 or 1776 from Chester District to Charleston Colonel John Winn was his Colonel, Lay at Charleston when dismissed served this tour two months. 3rd Tour volunteered in Captain John Nixon's company marched from Chester District to Charleston South Carolina 1776 in the summer and was at Charleston at the time of the Battle of Sullivan's Island when Sir Peter Parker attacked the Fort there Lay there till dismissed served this tour at least two months. 4th Tour volunteered in Captain John Nixon's Company marched from District aforesaid thinks in the spring of 1777 or 1778 to the quarter house near Charleston lay there a few days and marched from there to Purinsburgh [sic, Purrysburg] and joined Colonel Kershaw before reached Purrysburg & marched to Hazel's point and then to Purrysburg laid there a few days when dismissed having served this tour not less than two months. 5 Tour volunteered in John Nixon's Company after being only fifteen days & marched in Sumner from said District to Augusta State of Georgia John Winn was our Colonel Joined General Lincoln & marched with Lincoln to Stono General Williamson was at Augusta his last Tour in 1779 Dismissed by Captain Nixon having served at least three months. 6 Tour volunteered in 1780 under General Sumter in the edge of North Carolina Marched & attacked Rocky Mount Colonel Winn & Colonel Neal [Neel] were there Neal was killed there thence to Hanging Rock & attacked the British & Tories -- then was with Sumter when defeated at fishing Creek and dispersed: This Tour served at least one month men dispersed and returned home Taken prisoner by the Tories, carried as a prisoner to Camden Kept a prisoner there some weeks from thence to Charleston and put on board a

prison ship Kept there some time then taken as prisoner to Charleston Barracks after remaining nine months made his escape. 7 Tour volunteered in Summer of 1781 under Lieutenant John Huston Captain John Turner's Company Marched to a place called the four holes Joined Major Adair Marched to Laranses [?] ferry on Santee to guard ammunition wagons thence to Orangeburg & joined General Henderson [William Henderson] thence to South fork of Edisto peace being made was dismissed and returned home having served at least two months having served in all not less than 13 months and one half and was a prisoner nine months.

Ans. to 1st Int. I was Born in Ireland in the year 1755

Ans. to 2 Int I have no record but understand I am 81 years of age or 82

Ans. to 3rd Int. I was living in Chester District South Carolina called into service & has lived there ever since where I now live

Ans. to 4th Int. I was always volunteered

Ans. to 5th Int. I will name General Lincoln, General Henderson, General Sumter, General Williamson -- Colonel Kershaw -- Colonel Winn, Colonel Lacey & has mentioned the circumstances in the former part of my declaration

Ans. to 6 I never received a discharge but was dismissed

Ans. to 7 I will name John Rosborough Clerk of the Court Chester District John McKee Esquire, John Kennedy, Colonel George Gile [?], Colonel James McDaniel

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 except the roll of the State pension of State of South Carolina.

Sworn to & signed in open court day & year aforesaid

S/ Peter Wylie, JOOCD

S/ John Brown, X his mark

South Carolina Chester District: David McDonald¹ a Soldier of the revolution came into open Court who upon being duly sworn saith that he was well acquainted with John Brown the above Applicant during the War of the revolution and was in service with said Brown went with General Sumter and further saith he believes that the whole of the above declaration is Just and true

Sworn to & signed in open court this 9th Day of April 1836

S/ Peter Wylie

S/ David McDonald, D his mark

¹ I have included the digital image of his man's affidavit because I could not find any federal pension application filed by a man of this name and this may be the only record of his service.

South Carolina & Chester District } Francis Wylie a Soldier of the
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 his independent sworn saith that he was well acquainted with
 John Brown the above applicant during the War of the
 Revolution and was in service with said Brown when
 with Genl Sumter and further saith he believes that the
 of the above declaration is just and true & his
 sworn to before me in open court this David McDonald
 9th day of April 1836 Peter Wylie J C C D mark

South Carolina Chester District: Francis Wylie² a Soldier of the revolution appeared in open court before me Peter Wylie Judge of the Court of ordinary of said District who being duly sworn made oath & saith that he was well acquainted with John Brown the within applicant during the revolution & saith that he Brown was a good friend to his Country the United States and further that he was with him Brown in the snowy campaign & one Tour to Charleston & further saith that he fully believes all the facts set forth in the said John Brown declaration within.
 Sworn to & signed this 9th Day of April 1836 in open court
 S/ Peter Wylie S/ Francis Wylie, S his mark

[fn p. 13: Allen Coleman, Hugh Henry and Hugh Darough gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$74.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 22 months & 12 days service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]

² [Francis Wylie S21592](#)