

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Thomas Moore S1858

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State of Tennessee, Rhea County: Circuit Court September Term 1832

On this ___ [blank in original] day of September 1832 personally appeared in open [court] before the Judge of the Circuit Court now sitting for the County of Rhea & State of Tennessee, it being a court of record, Thomas Moore aged 101 years who being first duly sworn according to Law makes upon oath the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832, that he entered the service of the United States in the year 1780 in Granville County North Carolina as a volunteer under Captain Bulk [Casey Bulk] Lieutenant Glaze [?], Ensign Waters applicant first Sergeant, Corporal Hubbard, marched on to Cambden N.C. [sic, Camden, South Carolina] under Captain Bulk, did not joined the main army but was in the Battle, and fought under Major Gen the Baron De Kalb after General Gates [Horatio Gates] with his militia retreated – this was in August 1780 Captain Bulk's Company then returned back to Granville after having served a three months tour he did not remain long before the company to which he belonged marched to Deep River in South Carolina under the first named officers after the celebrated Captain Fanning [David Fanning] & Carr & defeated them & their company of Tories at Deep River Fanning escaped we took Carr prisoner & killed him, we returned home after about a three weeks tour, we remained at home some time till the year 1780 when applicant again took the field in Company with the above named officers marched from Granville North Carolina [to] King's Mountain in N C [sic, South Carolina] where we joined the main army under Cols Shelby [Isaac Shelby] & Campbell [William Campbell], Colonel Phillips where we defeated the enemy under Col Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson], this was in 1781 [sic, October 7, 1780] after the battle of the King's Mountain most [?] of the Troops marched to Dan River, Lord Cornwallis pursuing, at Dan River Genl Greene [Nathanael Greene] received a new recruit of men & we marched under Genl Greene & Col Morgan Daniel Morgan] to Guilford Court house in North Carolina, where we engaged with the enemy under Cornwallis, the enemy was too hard for us and Genl Greene ordered a retreat to _____ [blank in original] Iron Works about 16 miles from Guilford, marched back to Guilford in a day or two when the enemy had also left the field of battle from Guilford we marched to Ninety Six where Genl Greene attempted to take the enemy by storm but failed _____ [blank in original] commanded the enemy evacuated Ninety Six, from this place we went to Eutaw Springs, where we engaged the enemy under ____ [blank in original] and defeated them. This applicant was wounded in the side at this battle and all his Company officers were killed, Col Washington's [William Washington's] horse was shot from under him, this applicant then returned home as soon as he could after being in actual service about three years, this time he received no discharge, in consequence of his Captain being killed he received a discharge at the expiration of the first three months that he served but has lost it long since. This applicant served as a militia man during almost all the revolutionary war, but claims to pay for his services except the three years & three months above mentioned. Applicant was raised in New York went to Granville C. where his family resided 10 years from thence he removed to Saluda River in South Carolina, where the Tories burned his house & stole all his property went back to Granville where he entered into the service of his Country, he remained there during the

revolutionary war & for a number of years thereafter where he lost his wife from there he removed to French[illegible ending to this word] in what is now Tennessee, from thence he removed to Rhea County where he has resided for the last 10 years, that he has no documentary evidence of his service & knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services, he states that the following gentleman residence of his neighborhood will be certified as to his good character, to wit Robert Gamble, Esq., Bryon McDaniel, Samuel Gamble Esq. Jas Cowan, ____ [blank in original] McCormick & divers others that he could name he hereby are 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 to his knowledge Sworn to & subscribed the day & date above written in open court.

S/ John Cocke, Clerk

S/ Thomas Moore, X his mark

State of Tennessee, Original Claim

Declaration in order to be placed on the pension list under the act of the 18th of March 1818

County of Rhea May Sessions 1825

On this 3rd day of May 1825 personally appeared in open Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions it being a court of Record, Thomas Moore resident in said County aged 78 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to attain the pension made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1 May 1820, that he the said Thomas Moore entered the Army for three months as a substitute for William Deale the day and year is forgotten, & my pocket book was lost and my discharge with it in the State of North Carolina in the company commanded by Captain Casy Bulk, before he reached Charleston it was taken the British, & the company he belonged to never joined its Regiment, he was then discharged & returned home he volunteered immediately under Captain William Bennett & Samuel Gray Lieutenant & continued to serve until discharged at the battle of the Cowpens after having his thumb cut off by a bullet & also received a wound in the thigh which rendered him unable to perform service. He was in the battle of Gates defeat at Reges [sic, Rugeley's] Mill at Guilford Court House King's Mountain & the Cowpens where he was wounded as above. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is only on the roll of North Carolina the reason he has not applied for a pension before is he is very poor, ignorant & had no knowledge of the provisions of the acts of Congress and in pursuance of the act of the first May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby to so diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed --

There has been no change in my property since 1818, 18th of March. I have no real estate by occupation a farmer & by my wounds age & diseases have become entirely unable to pursue it or to maintain myself my wife has been dead six years I live with my

son, who is very poor and has a wife & 10 children he rents land to work & is hardly able to live.

Schedule	one bed	\$5	
	Tin pan & bucket	.75	
	Axe & hoe	<u>2.00</u>	
		\$7.75	Thomas Moore, X his mark

Sworn to in declared on the third day of May 1825 in Open Court.

S/ Jas Berry, Clerk