

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Scott: S1930

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[Note: One of the witnesses was his son-in-law, Thomas McInturff.]

State of Tennessee, Carter County: September Term 1832

On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Samuel Powel, Judge of the Circuit Court of Law & Equity for said county now sitting John Scott resident citizen of Carter County, Tennessee aged seventy eight 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That in the war of the Revolution, the particular year not recollected he was a resident of Craven County South Carolina and enlisted in said county for the term of three years in the 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Riflemen of the State of South Carolina under Capt George Wayde [sic, George Wade] Lieutenant Kimband [sic, Kimbrell?]. He states, that he enlisted the service of the United States under the same officers, about two months before Clintons attack on Charleston, was marched from Craven County the place of his enrollment under the said Capt George Wayde. Joined Colonel Sumpters [sic, Thomas Sumter's] Regiment at the Eutaw Springs. From there was marched under the said Colonel Sumpter to Charleston by way of Moncks Corner, from Charleston took water [sic, water] on Cooper River went to Hadleys Point [sic, Haddrell's Point] where he remained some days.

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When he was marched on into Sullivans Island to fort Moutony [sic, Fort Moultrie] to reinforce Colonel Pinkneys [sic, Charles C. Pinckney's] artillery, who were attacked by Admiral Clintons Fleet, where this was some cannonading. When the British attempted to land, when the Rifle Regiment to which this declarant belonged was called into action after some firing with the small arms, the British Fleet sailed away to the inlet, where they remained some days, when they sailed off to the North, this claimant understood.<sup>1</sup> He then returned to Hadleys Point where he remained some weeks, from there was taken by water to Fort Johnson in John's Island, where he remained some weeks, when he was marched to Dotchester [sic, Dorchester] on Ashley River, from there to the big Church between Dotchester & Charleston. He states that on his first arrival [?] at Charleston, his Regiment joined General Lea's [sic, General Charles Lee's] Army or Brigade, from which time he continued General Lea until discharged. From the big Church he was marched to or near Colonel Golfins [sic, Fort Galphin]<sup>2</sup> on the Savanah [sic, Savannah] River. Where he remained some months. From there crossed said River and marched to Bryor Creek [sic, Brier Creek],<sup>3</sup> where there was a Battle with the British in which this declarant with his Regiment under

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his said Colonel Sumpter were engaged. The American Army was commanded by Generals Ash [sic, John Ashe] & Elbert [Samuel Elbert] in which Battle the Americans were defeated with a considerable loss of men, and many of those who survived the Battle were lost in attempting to swim the River, among the number who attempted to swim the River this declarant was one, who succeeded reaching the South Carolina side of said river, without the loss of his rifle. Where he

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<sup>1</sup> The applicant is describing the first Battle of Sullivan's Island also called the Battle of Fort Moultrie which occurred June 28-29, 1776. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/moultrie.htm>

<sup>2</sup> <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/fortgalphin.htm>

<sup>3</sup> March 3, 1779 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/briercreek.htm>

remained with the army some considerable length of time, from there was marched to East Florady [sic, Florida], to the cow ford on the St. Johns River, from there was marched back to St. Mary's River, where he remained some weeks or months, from there to Savanah on the Georgia side of the Savanah River, where he remained some days until the sege [sic siege] of Savanah, where this declarant was at that time, from which the American Army had to give back. was marched to Monks Corner [sic, Moncks Corner], from there to high hills on Santee, to Colonel Thompsons [sic, William Thomson's] from there to Rocky Mount, from there to the hanging rock<sup>4</sup> in the State of South Carolina, where there was a Battle with the British and Tories, in which engagement the British and Tories were defeated this declarant with his Regiment was in said Battle. His Regiment under the command of General

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Sumpter, being the only Regiment of Regulars who were in said Battle, the South Carolina Militia in said Battle were commanded by Capt Abraham Coates [?]. From there was marched to Waxsaw Creek [sic, Waxhaw Creek]. Backward & forward through that section of country, until marched to Sandy River where this declarant was taken sick with the measles and his regiment was marched down the Wateree River to reinforce with General Gates. After he recovered he joined his company again at Fishing Creek which he found in a shattered condition, not long after which time he discharged, as well as now recollected at Monks Corner after having served out his full time of three years which was the term for which he enlisted and received a written discharge from Colonel Sumpter. He states there is no resident minster of the Gospel in his neighborhood who can testify to the neighborhood repute of this declarant being a soldier of the Revolution. He states he had no documentary evidence of his service as his discharge was burned with his house in North Carolina Iredell County many years since nor does he know of any person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his Revolutionary service He hereby relinquishes his every claim to a pension or an annuity whatever except the present and declares

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that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

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John X Scott

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Dist. A. M. Carter(signed) clk

By Wm B Carter(signed) DC

We Thomas McInturff & Jesse Maddox residents of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John Scott, who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be seventy eight years of age, that he is and in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution and we con cur in that opinion. Sworn to & subscribed the 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832

Thomas McInturff(signed)

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<sup>4</sup> August 6, 1780. <http://gaz.irshelby.com/hangingrk.htm>