Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Newman Wilson S22055 fn22NC
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[Note: the scribe's handwriting is atrocious – use the following transcript with more than normal suspicion of inaccuracy.]

South Carolina Greenville District: On this the tenth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions now sitting Newman Wilson a resident of the District of Spartanburg South Carolina aged seventy-six 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. He entered the service he thinks about two [?] years before Gates defeat at Camden. He served four tours – the first under Captain Roundtree under General Ash [sic, John Ashe] for five months – rendezvoused at Kingston [sic, Kinston] North Carolina – marched to Cross Creek Town, thence to Cheraw Hills on Pedee River - thence to Camden and on above Orangeburg. The second tour he served [?] under Colonel William Brattery [sic?] Lieutenant Colonel John Morphet² [sic?], Captain William Copeland, on the Congaree in South Carolina, in the forts at Orangeburg, Thomson's Fort, Friday's Fort about two months – The 3rd tour he served about 3 months this tour marched from Orangeburg to Moncks Corner – thence to the quarter House thence to Moncks Corner thence to a [word obliterated, appears to start with a R] between Moncks Corner and Huyis [sic, Huger's? or Hayes'] Bridge³ where a party of British and Tories were lying – thence to Huyis Bridge and had a battle with them then retreated back up to Nelsons ferry at the mouth of the Eutaws [?]—thence up to where General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] had lived -- under General Sumter through the whole of this expedition – the fourth tour he served three months about the time Savannah was evacuated by the British at Orangeburg under Brattiny [?] and Moffet [sic, Moffett?] -- He served altogether more than thirteen months but he will claim only for that time. He lived in Bute County North Carolina when he entered the service – was drafted every time – was in no general engagement – He has

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¹ In its summary of this application, the War Department interpreted this name as "Col. Wm Brattery"—perhaps the veteran was referring to Col. William Bratton, one of Sumter's subordinates, but that is pure guess on my part.

² The War Department interpreted this name as "Col. Jno. Morphet"—perhaps the veteran was referring to Col. John Moffett, but again that is pure guess on my part.

³ The War Department interpreted this as "Hays Bridge."

already mentioned the country through which he marched – Served with Colonels Washington & Lee at the taking of three forts Orangeburg – Thomson's and Friday's. He recollects General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] but was never under him. After the first tour he stayed at home some months – and then [indecipherable word or words] sometime between each tour but how long he cannot recollect. He has no paper or documentary evidence – knows of no one who can testify to his [indecipherable word] whose testimony he can procure – was born in Richmond County Virginia in the year "fifty-six" has no record of his age – did receive a discharge once from the Lieutenant Colonel but cannot recollect his name – it is lost – Colonel Brackman, Mr. Robson M Westmoreland live in his neighborhood and can testify to his good character and their belief in his services as a soldier of 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 pipe of the agency of any State.

S/ J. McDaniel, CCD S/ Newman Wilson, X his mark [Thomas Hutchings, a clergyman, and Thomas P Brackman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for one-year service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]