

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Conrad Coon S3177

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State of Tennessee County of Robertson: SS

On this 13th of November in the year of our Lord 1832: personally appeared before the court of pleas and Quarter Sessions begun and held for the County of Robertson in the State of Tennessee at the Courthouse in the town of Springfield said court being a court of record, Conrad Coon a resident of said County of Robertson in the State of Tennessee 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 177_(the date he cannot remember) under the command of Robert Gooden [Robert Goodwyn] and served in a Regiment commanded by Colonel William Thompson [William Thomson], third and being a Regiment of the line, Respondent also states that the two lieutenants under whom he served in the Captain's Company commanded by said Gooden, were Lieutenant David Hopkins & Charles Heally [probably Charles Healy who resigned his commission in the 3rd Regiment in 1776]. Respondent says that this enlistment made [&] entered into by him in Richmond County South Carolina. He served this tour six months, He marched from the Congaree [River] to the head of the Reedy River the State of South Carolina where Colonel Thomson's Regiment captured a Regiment of Tories commanded by Colonel Fletcher [Thomas Fletchall], I was present at the capture, we from the head of Reedy River returned to the Congaree, & from the Congaree we marched to Charlestown where we were discharged, our time having expired. This was in about the commencement of the revolution and as well as I now remember this Regiment in which I served under Colonel Thomson was the first Regiment raised in South Carolina for service in the revolutionary War.

I again entered the service as a drafted militia man in Richmond County South Carolina in the company commanded by Captain William Howell whose company was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Gooden (my former Captain) we marched from the Congaree to Charlestown where we joined the Army commanded by General Richardson, we remained at Charleston some time, how long I cannot recollect. From Charleston we marched to the four holes [Four Holes Bridge] and from there to Orangeburg & from Orangeburg to the Congaree where we were discharged for a short time. I again in the year 177_ entered into the service of the United States as a drafted militia man in Richmond County South Carolina in a company commanded by Captain William Howell who had under him Lieutenant John May. We marched from Richmond County to the Congaree, where we joined a Regiment commanded by Colonel Gooden, from the Congaree we marched to Augusta, Georgia, there we remained encamped and from there we marched to a little town called Ebenezer, from Ebenezer we marched to Savannah making no stopped there, from Savannah we marched to a little River I

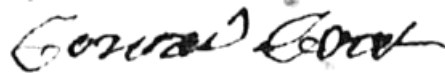
think called the Ogeechee, crossed & thence to Fort Barrington on the Daltamaha River [Altamaha River], from Altamaha River we marched to Santilles River [Satilla River] crossed it (I should have stated however that in this service Colonel Gooden's Regiment joined the Army under the command of General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] between Augusta & Ninety Six). From the Santillas we marched to the St. Mary's [River] in Florida, where we, after having crossed the St. Mary's, stayed one night & part of two days. From the St. Mary's we returned to the Congaree & were discharged. I again entered into the service of the United States in the County of Richmond South Carolina as a drafted militia man (I cannot remember the date) in a company commanded by Captain Andrew Lister who marched to the Congaree where we joined a Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Gooden, from the Congaree we marched to Orangeburg South Carolina and joined the Army under General Sumter [Thomas Sumter], where we encountered a party of the British, and after taking a few prisoners, we chased the balance into Charleston; the British at Charleston being reinforced chased the Army under General Sumter back to the High Hills of Santee, where we joined General Green [Nathanael Greene] & the Army under his command. The militia were dismissed at the High Hills of Santee and sent home.

And the said Conrad Coon hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or an annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State & further he declares that he has no written evidence of his service nor does he know of any person living by whom he can prove the same.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

Test S/ W. Seal Clk

S/ Conrad Coon



Interrogatories put by the Court & respondent's answers thereto

Interrogatory 1. Where and in what year were you born

Answer. I was born in Amelia Township in the State of South Carolina in the year 1756.

2. Have you any record of your age & if so where is it

Answer. I have a record of my age taken from the register of my father's Bible, this I have at home.

3. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war & where do you now live

Answer. I was living on the Congaree River Richland County State of South Carolina, I resided there several years after the close of the war, I removed to the County of Davidson in the State of Tennessee in 1795 remained there two years & then removed to Robertson County in Tennessee where I have resided ever since & now reside.

Int. 5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental & militia regiments as you can recollect & the General circumstances of your service.

Answer. General Moultrie, General Marion, Colonel Horry I believe are the only regular officers I now remember. I have already mentioned Colonel Gooden as a militia officer but think he afterwards became a regular officer. Among the militia officers I will name General Williamson & the other officers mentioned in the body of my declaration under whom I served. As to the general circumstances of my service I refer to the copy of my declaration.

4. How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a

substitute & if a substitute for

Answer. I enlisted first and was always afterwards a drafted militia man as set forth in the body of my declaration.

6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it given and stand what has become of it

answer. I did receive a discharge from Colonel Thompson & I think Captain Gooden, it was burnt in my house which was consumed by fire when I lived in South Carolina.

7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution

Answer. John Forbes Esquire Maracl [sic] Law, John [name written over and illegible] & Jacob Binkley Esquire all of whom will testify to my character as a man of truth & I think state their belief of my having been a soldier of the revolution.

[William Carter, a clergyman, and Jacob Binkley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Robertson County: Personally appeared before me John Hutchison a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Conrad Coon (the applicant for a pension in his original declaration to which this is appended) who being first sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served in the first tower [tour] mentioned as a listed soldier he served six months as a drafted militia man in the second tower mentioned in his original less than two months, in the third tower of duty as mentioned he served not less than six weeks, and the fourth tower not less than one month and for such service I claim a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before made this 3rd day of July 1833.

S/ John Hutchinson, JP

S/ Conrad Coon

[fn p. 11: on April 3, 1843 in Davidson County Tennessee, Lemuel Morris filed a notice in which he states he is the administrator of Conrad Coon in which he states that the veteran died in Davidson County on March 11, 1843 with no widow but the following children: William Coon, Simon Coon, Sibby Simpkins,, Elizabeth Sanders, Aggy Walker.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$34.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months & 12 days service as a private in the South Carolina Continental line and militia.]