Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Christian Shores S32514
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State of Indiana Clark County: Sct.

On this 27th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable John F Ross President Judge of the said Clark County Circuit Court and John Carr and Varnell Prather Esquires his Associates now sitting Christian Shores a resident of said County of Clark and State of Indiana aged eighty-nine years on the 11th of July next who being 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 served a tour of three months in the state of South Carolina as a drafted militia man commencing in the month of December in the year under Captain Robertson who was under the command of Colonel Martin Armstrong and Major John Armstrong to Brothers Militia officers this service and tour of three months was performed at a time when the British were expected to land at Charleston in said State but did not. That he was not in any General engagement during this tour the year not recollected, that he served a tour of two months during the same year in the State of North Carolina under the command of Henry Smith as his Captain his Lieutenant's name was John Pinkley his Colonel's name was Martin Armstrong all militia officers he was engaged during this tour in guarding the Magazine at the old Moravian town in the County of Stokes, was in no general engagement it was the same year of the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], that he served one month and seven days on a tour against the Tories in the State of North Carolina under the command of Henry Smith as his Captain & Lieutenant Pinkley same Colonel as before this was all the service which he performed for the United States during the period of the revolutionary war making together the term of six months and seven days he does not recollect with sufficient distinctness to state the year in which said service was performed but knows distinctly that it was during the War of the Revolution of the United States against Great Britain and before the conclusion of peace that his service as above was in each tour as a drafted militia man that he received no written discharges from service, that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person by whose testimony he can prove or that he can procure to testify to his services that there is no clergyman with whom he has sufficient acquaintance to certify to his services or their belief of the same as there is no such character resident in his immediate settlement for neighborhood, that he will be able to prove by Benedict Newgent Esquire and Richard Slider 2 of his neighbors their belief in the truth of his declarations, 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 any Agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Christian Shores, X his mark

[Benedict Newgent and Richard Slider gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20.77 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 6 months and 7 days service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]