Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Obadiah Wade S32576 Transcribed by Will Graves f32NC rev'd 7/16/17

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State of Illinois, County of Shelby October 2, 1832

On this second day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before us the Judges of the County Commissioners Court of Shelby County now sitting – Obadiah Wade – resident of Shelby County and State of Illinois aged 71 in the present month who first 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – entered under General Butler [John Butler], Colonel Johnson [Jonas Johnston], Major Lowerie [sic, probably John Lowry], field officers company officers Captain Lenier [James Lanier] first Lieutenant Daniel Teachy [Daniel Teachey of Duplin County], 2nd Lieutenant John Trockmorton [sic, John Throckmorton] volunteered on the first of March (the day not recollected) 1778 discharged on the 18th of July in the same year, at the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] in the month of July to the best of his recollection General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] commander in chief he was in Butler['s] Brigade and in the company above mentioned – served as volunteer – volunteered in Carteret County in the State of North Carolina in the town of Buford [sic, Beaufort] marched from Carteret County in North Carolina to Machlensbery [sic, Mecklenburg] County Charlotte Town in the same State he knew Captain Rodes [sic, Rhodes?] of the Regular Service and he further states that he knows of no documentary evidence by which he can of served his claim neither does he know of anyone who can testify to his services.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year last aforesaid.

S/ Obadiah Wade

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[Eva Douthett, X his mark, a clergyman and John Fleming gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Did you ever receive a discharge

A I did

What became of it

A It is unknown to me lost though I believe

By whom was it given

A By Jonas Johnson Colonel

Where and what year were you born

A Carteret County North Carolina and as I believe in the year 1761 in the month of

October

Where have you lived since the War

A In North Carolina and Illinois and now reside in Shelby County Illinois

Have you any written record of your age

A I have

Where were you living when called into service

A In Carteret County North Carolina

How were you called into service

A As a volunteer

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State of Illinois, Shelby County}

On this Fourteenth day of May 1833 personally appeared before the Circuit Court of the County of Shelby, but now in Session, Obadiah Wade, a resident of said County of Shelby, and State of Illinois, aged 72 years next October, who being first duly Sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That about the first of February 1778, as near as this deponent can recollect, he volunteered, as a private, in Captain John Fulford's Company, in Colonel Enoch Ward's Regiment in the North Carolina militia, this deponent then living in Carteret County North Carolina, and was then marched to near St. George's on Topsail Sound, where the Regiment was stationed to prevent the British from going from Wilmington N. C. to New Bern. At the time said deponent was 60 days in the service & was regularly discharged, or mustered out of Service, without written discharge. And the Deponent further says, that on the first of March 1777 [sic, 1779], he then living in Carteret County North Carolina, he volunteered for three months, in Captain James Lenier's Company in Colonel Jonas Johnson's Regiment of North Carolina militia, and marched to Charlotte near the line of North Carolina and there joined General Butler's Brigade, and was thence marched to the Savannah River, where the brigade joined General Lincoln's [Army], and went from there to Ashley ferry near Charlestown in pursuit of the British, who were about to attack Charlestown, but the enemy finding themselves pursued, went to Stono in South Carolina & there fortified. He then went with the brigade to Stono and there fought the British & whipped them. He remained at Stono until the 18th of July in the same year when he was discharged, having remained in service from the first of March to the 18th of July & thus serving one month & half longer than the time he volunteered for. This deponent says he has made a former application, but did not mention the first period of service herein described, because the person who drew his papers said it was unnecessary to insert it in his application. He was born in October 1761 but has no record of his age. He received a written discharge for the four and a half months service signed by Colonel Jonas Johnson, but the same is lost or mislaid so that he cannot find it.

Since the revolutionary war he has lived in North Carolina till 1807 then in Tennessee rising 20 years, and for the last three years in the County of Shelby, State of Illinois.

That Joel Elam a neighbor & the Reverend Bushrod Henry can testify as to my character for truth & veracity and the general reputation I sustain of having been a revolutionary soldier.

That he knows of no one living except some may be living in North Carolina by whom he can prove any of the facts within set forth.

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 the agency of any State.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Jos. Oliver, Clk

[Bushrod W. Henry, a clergyman, and Joel Elam gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 15 days in the North Carolina militia.]