## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

## Pension application of John Warren S3457 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## State of Tennessee, Smith County

On this 24 day of February[?] 1834 personally appeared Before The Justices of the court of pleas and quarter Sessions for Smith County at a Court now in session for said County John Warren a resident of Smith County in the State of Tennessee aged Sixty nine 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the militia Service for three months in North Hampton County [sic, Northampton County] North Carolina under Captain Madry [William Madray] who was attached to Colonel Edmund's [Howell Edmund's] Regiment after Lynton's [sic, William Thomas Linton's Regiment] in the year 1781 and marched with company to the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] there Colonel Linton and his men broke and left the field in disorder Deponent returned as far as Halifax [County NC] where he met some of the Regiment returning under Colonel Linton he Joined them and was returned with others that had left the service to the regular Service for twelve months and was marched to the South by Major Eaton [Pinkertham or Pinketham Eaton]<sup>1</sup> and from there to Augusta in Georgia there Eaton was killed in attacking a fort from there he marched with Captain Yarberry's [sic, probably a reference to Captain Edward Yarborough of the NC Continental line] Company to where he Joined General Green's Army [sic, Nathanael Greene's Armyl at the High Hills of Santee there deponent was mustered in Captain Brevard's [probably a reference to Captain Alexander Brevard's] company the Second or Third Regiment he does not Recollect which the Major's name was Raford [probably a reference to Captain Robert Raiford who was breveted a Major late in the war] from there he marched with General Greene's Army to the Eutaw Springs and was in the Engagement [Battle of Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] at that place and afterwards continued in the same company until discharged at a place called Pon Pon<sup>2</sup> he got a Written discharge for twelve months service in the year 1784 but has since lost his discharge he does not know of any living witness except a man named McKinly and he may be dead by whom he can prove his services he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll Roll of any Agency in this State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Warren

<sup>1</sup> Major Eaton was killed in the attacked on Fort Grierson in Augusta on May 23, 1781. Siege of Augusta [May 22-June 6, 1781] http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/810522-augusta/

<sup>2</sup> South Edisto River was known during this period as the Pon Pon River.

Test: S/ J. Pickett, Clk.

[J. J. Bennett, a clergyman, & John Bransford gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Questions propounded by the court

Q: Where and in what year were you born?

A: In Northampton County North Carolina in the year 1764.

Q: Have you any record of you age and if so, where is it?

A: I have it at home in my Bible

Q: Where were you living when called into service? Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A: I was living in Northampton County North Carolina when called into service and remained in that State until about 30 years ago when I moved to Williamson County in this State where I lived one year and moved to Smith County where [he] has lived ever since.

Q: How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer, or were you a substitute and if so for whom did you substitute?

A: I was drafted

Q: State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

A: I have stated in my declaration all I can recollect about these things.

Q: Did you ever receive a discharge from the service; and if so by whom was it given; and what has become of it?

A: I did receive one signed by General Greene but do not know what became of it having considered it not necessary to preserve

Q: State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify to your character for veracity and good behavior and your services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

A: The court present knows me and most others in the courthouse.

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