

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Malcolm McClellan S5070

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North Carolina Cumberland County: Special Court of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Cumberland County

On this day (to wit) on the 31st of December A.D. 1832 personally appeared before us Gordon Deminy, Dolphin A. Davis, Warren Winslow acting justices of the peace for said County and holding a special Court for that purpose – Malcolm McClellan aged about 77 years of age, 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 7th 1832. That he is a resident of Cumberland County and State aforesaid – That he enlisted in the service of the Colonies in the month of October A.D. 1775 – Under Cpt [Captain] Robt Rowan [Robert Rowan], Hector McNeill Lieutenant and one Neill McAllister Ensign – that he enlisted in Cumberland County, and marched to Cross Creek now Fayetteville, from thence to Wilmington, from thence to Brunswick then to Fort Johnson – where one Lieutenant Moore was accidentally killed by a sentinel – from thence he was marched back to Cross Creek where he was discharged. He was in no engagement – never wounded – He served only six months as will appear by his discharge. He enlisted and never was drafted. That he has no documentary evidence but his discharge – his brother Daniel McClellan can prove his actual service, so far as his enlistment – his departure from home, and his return – That there is no clergyman near enough for him to obtain his certificate, and on account of his age and infirmity he cannot without great trouble and fatigue obtained his certificate, Said clergyman living a great distance from him –

He was born in the shire of Argyle in Scotland.

He has no record of his age.

When called into service he was living in Cumberland County – where he has ever since resided.

He was enlisted.

Besides the officers whose names he has mentioned he knew Colonel Moore, Lieutenant Johnson – Captain Davis –

His discharges herewith enclosed

This affiant further states that he lives 18 miles from the Court house and cannot get the attendance of any of his neighbors at this time, to prove his character – that the regular term of the Court of this County is not until March next. That he expected to get the testimony of persons in Fayetteville who have known him for many years, but is informed that they are not in town

¹ I could not find this file on footnote.com. If anyone can direct me to where it can be found on footnote, I would appreciate it.

He hereby relinquishes all claim for 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 to and subscribed the year and day aforesaid

Test: D. McDiamid, Clk

S/ Malcolm McClellan, X his mark

Daniel McClellan² maketh oath that he believes his brother Malcolm McClellan served in the War of the Revolution, and that he was marched from and returned home after a 6 months tour under Captain Rowan.

S/ Daniel McLellan

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daniel McLellan". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, connected style.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

² This MAY be the same man as [Daniel McLellan S7208](#)