Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel Wheeler S6364 MD VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Virginia } Ss County of Tyler }

On this 19th day of January 1833 Personally appeared in open court before Robert Gorrell, Kenner S Boreman, James S Brickhead and John B Lacy Justices of the Peace, constituting the county court of Tyler now sitting Samuel Wheeler a resident of the said county of Tyler & State of Virginia aforesaid aged seventy two years, 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 entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. Towit, That in the year 1776 he resided in Montgommery county [sic: Montgomery County], Maryland that about the 1st of June of the said year, he enlisted in the service of the United States for Six Months, in what was called the Flying camp, destined for the Northern Service, that he was marched to the State of New York & belonged to the company commanded by Capt Edward Burges, in General Bell's [sic: Reazin Beall's] Brigade, and attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Griffin [probably Charles Greenberry Griffith] & Lieut. Colo. Shryhock [sic: Henry Shryock] & Major Martz.

That he was in the Battles of York Island [Harlem Heights, 16 Sep 1776] & the White Plains [28 Oct 1776], that he served Six Months the time for which he enlisted & was discharged at Philadelphia about the 1st December 1776 – that while in the service he marched through Annapolis Maryland & there took water & landed at the head of Elk [now Elkton] & from there to New Castle, Deleware [sic: Delaware] & from there to Philadelphia, thence to Trenton – Jersey, thence to the city of New York thence to York Island, where he was stationed, until after the Battle of York Island, or Harlem Heights took place – thence to the White plains, where he was until after the battle so named – thence to the Jersey's, where he was with the Army near a month, thence to Philadelphia, where he was discharged as afores'd.

That about the year 1780 he removed from Maryland to Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County, Virginia & in the year 1781 he was drafted for a tour of Three Months, & was marched to Williamsburg Virginia. That he served in the company commanded by Capt. Sampson Trammell [Samson Trammell], belonging to the Regiment commanded by a Colonel or Lieut Colo. Manniweather [sic: Meriwether], that he does not recollect the names of any other Officer of the Regiment, but an Officer called Major Hardman or Hardiman [Henry Hardman], who acted as adjutant to the Regiment – that he served the Term for which he was drafted at Williamsburg & in the neighborhood thereof.

That he has no recollection whatever of having received a written discharge at either of the time he was in the service, presumes he must, as he served his time faithfully both times, if he did, they are now lost

That while in the service of the United States he was acquainted with General's Washington, [Israel] Putnam, [Nathanael] Greene & Captain Goode & Major Martz when in the Flying Camp but from the lapse of time & consequent loss of memory, he cannot recollect the numbers or names of any Continental or Militia Regiments with which he served. That he was born on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, a few miles from Cambridge, the 4th day of March 1760 – that his family connexions has a record of his age to which he has access.

That since the Revolutionary war he resided in Loudon County Virginia until the year 1792 in the fall of which year he moved to Brook County Va. where he lived some years & from thence, removed to the county of Tyler (then Ohio) his present place of residence, where he has ever since continued to reside

That he is acquainted with the Reverend John Ripley, Thomas Inghram, Thomas Weekley, David Hickman & others of his neighborhood, who can testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of

his services in the Revolution. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity, but the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any State.

Samuel Whule

NOTE: On 16 Aug 1832 Thomas Weekley (pension application S6343) stated that he served with Wheeler.