Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Robison (Robinson) S7426 f17SC/NC Transcribed by Will Graves 11/30/09: rev'd 8/18/17

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[p 4]State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions August term1832

On this 28th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the justices of the said Court of Mecklenburg opened and held for said County in Charlotte on the 4th Monday of August and now sitting Robert Robinson aged eighty-two 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 -- that he was born in the State of Pennsylvania in the County of Lancaster in the year 1751 -- and removed to the State of North Carolina Mecklenburg County aforesaid when he was about the age of fourteen years -- where he has resided ever since -- he has now no record of his age -- that it was recorded in his father's Bible which Bible is lost or destroyed -- that in the year 1779 -- at which time he was a resident in Mecklenburg County he volunteered for three months under Captain John Sharp -- that Colonel Hamwright [Lt. Col. Frederick Hambright] was his Colonel that in November of the same year they left Charlotte and marched to Camden and then on to Charleston -- where they joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] commander of the Southern Army of the Continental line and that he served the time for which he volunteered and was regularly discharged by Colonel Hamright -- which discharge he has lost -- by sending it to the Legislature of North Carolina. That in 1780 he again volunteered as a private under Captain William Alexander in a company of Mounted Riflemen -- and that Colonel of the Regiment was Wade Hampton -- under General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] that volunteered in the State troop of South Carolina that he served 4 months of this tour and got permission from his superior officer to return home -- at the expiration of the said 4 months. That in the year 178? [last digit unclear] he served two months under James Orr collecting provision for General Davidson [William Lee Davidson's] Army. That he again volunteered in Captain McKnight's company and Robert Irwin was the Colonel and were stationed at the Tuckaseegee Ford on the Catawba [River] -- the object of the company was to prevent Cornwallis from crossing the River when he was in pursuit of General Greene -- he was out on this tour 6 weeks. He was [in] 1780 a volunteer under Captain Thompson [James Thompson] and was in active service under him during the time that Cornwallis was in Charlotte [late September and early October 1780] -- that he was out on this tour 5 or 6 weeks -- the whole of the time he was out in the service of the United States was about 10 months -- that what time he was not a volunteer in the State Troops of South Carolina he was a volunteer in the militia of North Carolina. That he was out about [words obliterated] under Captain Knox [Patrick Knox]

and was present in the engagement at Ramsour's [Ramsour's mill] Battle [June 20, 1780] in Lincoln [County North Carolina] where it the Tories under the command of Colonel John Moore were defeated. That the greatest portion of the men in this engagement were volunteers upon short notice -- that having received intelligence that the Tories had assembled they collected as soon as possible -- and after having affected the object for which they had volunteered returned home -- and he further declares that he was in the battle of the hanging rock [August 6, 1780]² as a volunteer under Captain Reed [David Reed] = and was out about 2 weeks -- that 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. That he has no documentary evidence of having served in the revolutionary war -- that his discharges are lost -- that as to his character for veracity he refers to the Reverend Robert Hall Morrison's certificate and the certificate of William Alexander and Joseph Graham hereunto appended that he was in the service of the United States during the Revolutionary War

S/ Robert Robison

Robert Robison

[Robert Hall Morrison, a clergyman, William Alexander and Joseph Graham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$34.88 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months and 14 days in the North Carolina and South Carolina militia.]

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ramseurs_mill.html 2 http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_hanging_rock.html