Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Wingo S7896 Transcribed by Will Graves fn19VA 10/6/11

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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: SS

On this 3rd day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Sessions for said District, now sitting, William Wingo a resident of Spartanburg District in the State aforesaid, aged seventy-three years who being sworn in due form of law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he enlisted in the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. I entered in the Continental Service on the 20th of April 1779 for the term of eighteen months in the company of Captain Booker, in the Regiment of the State of Virginia and was marched from Amelia County to Fredericksburg. We were then divided into four divisions, where I fell under the command of Major Lewis, from thence we marched through the States of Maryland and Delaware, within fifteen miles of Philadelphia, and then met Colonel Parker with orders from General Washington to return to Petersburg in Virginia, on our arrival at Petersburg, we were divided into three divisions, I fell into the first Regiment under General Scott – the other two regiments were commanded by Colonels Parker & Hopkins and was attached to the company of Captain Payne. In June 1779 we left Petersburg and marched through North & South Carolina and entered the State of Georgia, at Augusta about the last of August. In September we marched to Savannah and joined General Lincoln with the South Carolina and Georgia troops, and on the 9th or 10th of October commenced the Siege of Savannah, General Lincoln on the right, the French troops in the center, and General Parker on the left – after the Battle we retreated to our encampment, and remained a few days – when Parker's Regiment, to which [I] belonged, marched to Augusta, and went into winter quarters – about the middle of February 1780, we marched to Charleston, South Carolina, and then joined General Lincoln, sometime in April. The British attacked the town and the Siege continued thirty-one days and the town surrendered on the 12th May 1780. I remained there a Prisoner, until the 28th of June 1781 when I was exchanged and conveyed by the British to James town Virginia, and there marched, by Captain Parker, to Williamsburg – I was there discharged regularly by Captain Parker in July 1781. I delivered my discharge to Lieutenant Chaffen to draw my wages, and was afterwards informed by him, that it was left in the statehouse at Richmond – I have no documentary evidence now in my possession –

I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any State.

Sworn to and Open Court this 3rd October 1833.

S/E. Bomar, Clk

S/ William Wingo



State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: SS

Before me H. J. Dean a Justice of the Peace in & for the district aforesaid, personally appeared William Pollard aged 74 years past; who upon being duly sworn according to law, deposeth that he was, in time of the Revolutionary War & still is intimately acquainted with William Wingo, who as he has been informed & believes, has made application for a pension. That from the known character of the said William Wingo for truth, as well as from other circumstances; and from the fact of his having seen him while in the service at Camden South Carolina in the year 1779 and from the fact, of having immediately after his return home from the service of his country, heard him speak of having been taken prisoner by the enemy and of having heard several others, viz.: Samuel Benton, Zachariah Hendricks & Isaac Morris, who are deceased & who were soldiers at the same time with him, and all gentlemen of good character for truth & veracity, say that they together with the said William Wingo, were taken prisoners with him at the fall of Charleston, South Carolina, this deponent is bound to believe every word set forth in his original declaration. This deponent further says that to the best of his knowledge & recollection the said William was in the service from the time of his enlistment viz. April 1779 to sometime in the summer of 1781, a period of more than two years. This deponent further saith that he always understood & verily believes that said William enlisted for the term of 18 months. Sworn to & subscribed before me 20th May 1834

S/H. J. Dean, JP

S/ William Pollard, X his mark

State of South Carolina Spartanburg District: SS

Before me personally appeared John Wingo aged 72 years last past who upon being duly sworn deposed that William Wingo whose declaration & application for a pension is hereunto annexed did enlist in the Continental service of the United States for the term of 18 months in the County of Amelia in the State of Virginia: that he was present at the time the applicant enlisted and to the best of his knowledge & belief he enlisted on the 20th of April 1779 in the County of Amelia State of Virginia under the command of Captain Samuel Booker as he has stated in his original Declaration: That he understood and verily believes the applicant was taken prisoner & served as he states in his declaration. That to the best of his knowledge & belief the applicant returned home from the service of his country in June 1781 as he has set forth in his declaration, having been in the service 2 years & 3 months. This deponent from his intimate acquaintance with the applicant from the time of his enlistment to the present period and from his own character for truth & veracity fully believes all the statements made in his declaration to be true. Sworn to & subscribed before me the 19th May 1834

S/ H. J. Dean, JP

S/ John Wingo, Sr.

John Wing

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 2 years

service as a private in the Virginia service.]