Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Winn S7899

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Virginia, to wit:

On this 25th day of September 1832

Personally appeared before the County Court of Halifax John Winn a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged 69 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 7th 1832, that he enlisted in this County in the Continental Service for eighteen months as well as he remembers in the year 1780 or thereabout and was put under the command of Captain Bowyers, the Regiment he does not (being very young) remember at this time nor does he remember the name of [the] Colonel who commanded it, he well remembers he was first commanded by Genl. Gates [Horatio Gates] and lastly by General Green [Nathanael Greene], his Captain then by the name of Hoofman [Phillip Huffman?]¹, and that he was discharged in South Carolina at a place called the round O – that his discharge is lost or mislaid, that he was in the battles of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], ² Camden [probably the Second Battle of Camden, also referred to as the Battle of Hobkirk's Hill, April 25, 1781],³ Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781],⁴ and the Siege of Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781]: 5 that he has no evidence to substantiate his said Claim except the affidavits of David Street & Fielding Bomar, 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 of the Agency of any State.

S/ John Winn, X his mark

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Virginia Halifax County to wit:

The Reverend David Street, a preacher of the Gospel, truly respectable, this day came before me & made oath that in the month of September 1780, as well as he remembers John Winn, now of this County was enlisted for eighteen months as a Continental Soldier in the Revolutionary war, in his presence by Colonel Coles of this County & he believes was put under

¹ Capt. Phillip Huffman of the VA Continentals was killed at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse.

² https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_guilford_courthouse.html

³ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_hobkirks_hill.html

⁴ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution battle of eutaw springs.html

⁵ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ninety_six.html

the command of Captain Bowyer, that he knows after the said Winn enlisted he went into service and from all accounts was a faithful Soldier, more especially as he did not return home short of eighteen months.

Fielding Bomar also respectable made oath before me, that he has been acquainted with John Winn of the County from his infancy up to the present period & that he knows he enlisted a Soldier in the revolutionary war for eighteen months under Captain Bowyer & that he has every right to believe & do believe that he served his time fully & faithfully as they were neighbors & now are.

Given under my hand & seal this 16th of August 1832. S/Wm Faulkner

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 18 months service as a private in the Virginia service.]