

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Fleenor W7288      Sally Fleenor      f34VA  
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State of Virginia, Washington County

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the court of Washington County aforesaid, now sitting Michael Fleenor a resident of the said County, now Seventy six years of age, according to the information which he has had having no written account of his age, 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 7, 1832.

The said Michael Fleenor states that he was born in Bucks County Pennsylvania. From this County as he has been informed, his father removed to Lancaster County in the same State and then to Frederick County in the State of Maryland. From this last County the said Michael Fleenor removed to Holston and settled in the country now Washington County [Virginia] in May 1775 and has lived there ever since. The said Michael Fleenor will not attempt to give any account of all the services which he performed during the revolutionary war – as he is not able from the great length of time which has elapsed to find living witnesses to prove all which he performed. He therefore will confine his statement to such services as are proved by the accompanying affidavits.

The said Michael Fleenor states that in the summer of the year 1777, in the year after Christian's [William Christian's] Campaign he was ordered out as a militia soldier to guard the Glade Hollow fort on Clinch [River] against the Indians. That in said service he performed a tour of duty of two months under Lieutenant William Blackburn and Colonel Evan Shelby and was honorably discharged.

The next season being the year 1778 he served a tour of three months on the same frontier, one month for himself, one month as a substitute for Jacob Fleenor, his brother, and one month for John Funkhouser in defending it against the Indians. Two months of their time he served under Captain John Shelby and one month under Captain Andrew Colvill – and was stationed at Moore's Fort in Castles Woods and at Cowans fort – After being honorably discharged from this service he returned home – and a detachment of militia being about to be ordered from this part of the Country to Kentucky to defend the settlements in that quarter against the Indians, the said Michael Fleenor was ordered out and marched the first of August under the command of Captain George Adams in a detachment commanded by Major Daniel Smith. This tour of service was intended to be only three months but the detachment was kept in service four months or upwards. The said Michael Fleenor was in service four months and

was honorably discharged. Part of the time whilst on this tour he was detached with others under the command of Colonel Bowman to defend Harrodsburg [Harrodsburg, Kentucky].

The next season being 1779 the said Michael Fleenor states that he served a three months tour of duty down the Tennessee River under Captain Abram Bledsoe in a detachment commanded by Colonel Evan Shelby against the Chickamauga Towns and was honorably discharged.

In 1780 the said Michael Fleenor was ordered out by Colonel Arthur Campbell and served two months against the Tories up New River – one month under Captain Edmondson and one month under Lieutenant Willoughby. And in the fall of the year he was called upon with others from the same County to march under Col. William Campbell on the expedition which terminated in the battle on Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] in the State of South Carolina. The said Fleenor, took sick and was thereby prevented from being in the battle. He was engaged in this service one month and a half and was honorably discharged. All the discharges granted at that time to militia men being verbal ones. The said Michael Fleenor therefore says that he faithfully served his country fifteen months and one half month as herein for stated during the revolutionary war – and that there is no clergyman residing in his neighborhood at this time.

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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Michael Fleenor, F his mark

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Virginia Washington County: SS

This day came before me a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, John Mobley aged eighty years of age and being duly sworn deposeth That he saw Michael Fleenor on reed Creek in with [sic] County in the Revolutionary war and that [he] saw Fleenor as a militia Soldier under the command of Capt. Edmonson and I also remember seeing Arthur Bowen who I believe was a Lieut. at the same time.

S/ John Mobley, X his mark

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State of Virginia Washington County: SS

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 personally came Ezekiel Hobbs<sup>1</sup> aged nearly seventy-one years, before me a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and being duly sworn doth on his oath declare and state that in the year 1778 as well as he now recollects the date, he served a tour of service as a militia soldier to Kentucky under Capt. George Adams commencing about the 1<sup>st</sup> of August and ending the last of November and he well recollects that Michael Fleenor was a private in the same company with this affiant and served the same length of time Major Daniel Smith commanding the detachment.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day 1<sup>st</sup> written and I do certify that the said Hobbs is a credible witness

S/ John Keller

S/ Ezekiel Hobbs, H his mark

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<sup>1</sup> [Ezekiel Hobbs W8940](#)

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 personally came John McCulloch now in his seventy first year before me a justice of the peace for Washington County aforesaid and being duly sworn according to law upon his oath doth declare and state that he served a tour to Kentucky in the year 1778 under Capt. George Adams marching about the 1<sup>st</sup> of August and returning not long after Christmas and that he well recollects that Michael Fleenor served in the same company and during the same campaign as a private. Major Daniel Smith commanded the detachment.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day first written and I do certify that he is a credible witness.

S/John Keller

S/ John McCulloch<sup>2</sup>



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Washington County to wit

This day Capt. James Keys came before me a justice of the peace and being duly sworn depose that he was first Sergeant in Capt. Aaron Lewis' Company in the year 1779 on the expedition against the Chiccamauga Towns and that he served about two months on said Campaign and he well recollects that Michael Fleenor was a soldier on said Campaign and served the same time.

Sworn to and subscribed on this 27<sup>th</sup> of November 1832 and I do certify that he is a credible witness

S/ Robert E Cummings

S/ James Keys<sup>3</sup>



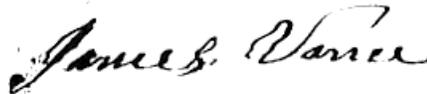
Washington County to wit:

This day Capt. James Vance came before me a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath that during the time this affiant served as a volunteer militia soldier on Clinch [River] he recollects that Michael Fleenor was also there in the service as a militia man one season if not more.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1832 and I do certify that he is a credible witness.

S/ Abram Bradley

S/ James Vance<sup>4</sup>



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Washington County to wit

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<sup>2</sup> [John McCulloch \(McCulloch, McCullough\) S7204](#)

<sup>3</sup> [James Keys \(Keves\) S15907](#)

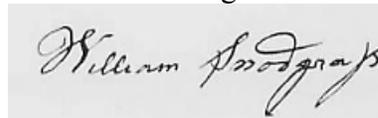
<sup>4</sup> [James Vance S7782](#)

This day personally came before me a justice of the peace for the said County Col. William Snodgrass of Sullivan County Tennessee, an aged revolutionary Soldier, and who being duly sworn on his oath declares That during the revolutionary war he resided in this County and that in the year 1779 he was called out having Volunteered as a militia soldier to perform a tour of duty against the Cherokee Indians and that the detachment marched against the Chickamauga towns under Col. Evan Shelby and that Capt. Aaron Lewis' Company was in service four months being the first at the rendezvous and the last getting home – that he well recollects that Michael Fleenor with whom he was and is now well acquainted was a soldier in that expedition and that as this affiant very [sic] believes in service at least three months. – This affiant further recollects that Michael Fleenor was in service from Washington County aforesaid in the expedition to Kings mountain. This affiant also knows that in 1775 & 1776 Col. Arthur Campbell, County Lt. Col. of Washington County place the whole militia of the County in requisition to guard the forts against the incursions of the Indians – and that they were kept almost constantly in service during the Summer Seasons.

Sworn to & signed this 28<sup>th</sup> of January 1833.

S/ Samuel Chastain

S/ William Snodgrass<sup>5</sup>



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Washington County to wit:

This day personally came before me a justice of the peace in and for said County Capt. James Vance in the seventy third year of his age and who being duly sworn deposes and saith in addition to his affidavit given on the 10<sup>th</sup> of last month, that on more mature reflection on the subject, he recollects that Michael Fleenor and himself were militia soldiers on the frontiers of Clinch [River], guarding the forts and inhabitants against the Indians during the revolutionary war, one season in the glade hollow and the other season at the Richlands together. This affiant thinks they were part of the time in Castles Woods Settlement. This affiant further recollects that the militia of Washington County were ordered out every season during four or five years of the revolutionary war to guard the frontiers on Clinch.

Sworn to and signed this 29<sup>th</sup> of January 1833

S/ Thomas McChesney

S/ James Vance

[p 4: On August 21, 1844 in Washington County Virginia, Sally Fleenor, 79, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Michael Fleenor, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him December 10, 1781; that her husband died August 3, 1837; that she remains his widow; that she was married to him in Washington County by the Rev. Taylor. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 6: On August 21, 1844 in Washington County Virginia, Mrs. Mary Mungle, 83, gave testimony that she is well acquainted with Sally Fleenor; that affiant was married in October

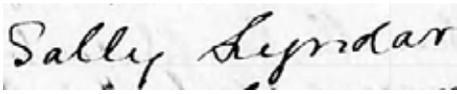
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<sup>5</sup> [William Snodgrass X927](#)

1781 and Sally Lyndar [sic ? possibly Sally Syndar]<sup>6</sup> was one of her bridesmaids; about 2 months later Sally married Michael Fleenor. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$51.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months & 15 days in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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<sup>6</sup> A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sally Lyndar". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The first letter 'S' is large and prominent, and the name is written in a fluid, connected hand.