Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Mullins (Mullin) VAS783
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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

Yhohylvania [Yohogania] County to wit

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid John John Sorrell aged seventy-four years a respectable and credible witness and made oath as follows to wit That he was well acquainted with the late John Mullin who was a revolutionary soldier that the said Mullen according to the best of his knowledge and belief entered under George Washington in or about the year 1774 for three years and after serving the three years out, he then enlisted for and during the War and was killed in the entrenchment at little York, by a bum [bomb] shell – this was in the year 1781 – when Cornwallis was taken [October 19, 1781] when he the said John Mullin returned home after the first three years he returned home on furlough and he the said Mullin made him a hunting shirt and put the date of the year upon the said shirt that he should not forget it and further this deponent saith not.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of January 1834 S/ John Sorrell

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This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 8th day of November 1783, in the name of John Mullins, as a Soldier of Infantry for £68.11.3, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to William Reynolds and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 24th day of May 1834.

S/ Jas E. Heath, AUDITOR

Petition for bounty land

John Mullins Soldier C. L.

This soldier's name is on the Army Register. William Reynolds received for him a certificate for £68.11.3 balance of his full pay, as a soldier of Infantry.

John Sorrell, says that Mullins enlisted about the year 1774 for 3 years & served the full term of his enlistment – that the said Mullins then enlisted for & during the war, and was killed at the siege of York in battle. John Sorrell has not been proved to be a credible witness.

Respectfully submitted John H Smith, Commissioner &c May 27, 1834

To his Excellency Governor Tazewell