Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Martin Dial R13777

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South Carolina Laurens District

On this 26th day of July A.D. 1851 personally appeared before the Court of Probate of the District and State aforesaid -- Johnathan Dial a resident of Laurens District in the State of South Carolina -- aged fifty-seven years who first being duly sworn according to law -- doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the unclaimed pension to which his brother Martin Dial was entitled to for services rendered during the revolutionary war under the act of Congress passed June 17th [sic] 1832 -- That his brother Martin Dial was a private soldier in the revolutionary Army in the southern line and that the greater part of his services were rendered in the State of South Carolina but in what year he entered the service in what year he was discharged -- and under what officers the Claimant is unable to speak. All that this Deponent knows of his own knowledge years that his brother always claimed to be a revolutionary soldier and was so accredited by the whole country up to his death -- And for the particulars of his service -- as to the length of time -- the officers under whom he was a soldier --& he respectfully refers the Department to the annexed testimony of Charles Allen Esquire -who is known to be an old soldier and is now upon the pension roll. And who has a full recollection of most of the facts in connection with the service of the said Martin Dial. He further declares that his brother Martin Dial died on the 26th day of December 1844 -- the mother of the declarant having died many years before the said Martin Dial --

And that he left eight children -- two of whom are now dead. He further declares that he is the Executor of the last will and testament of his brother And that this application is made for the benefit of all his heirs at law.

Sworn to before me the 26th day of July A.D. 1851

Given under my hand & seal

S/W.D. Watts, JCOLD

S/ Jonathan Dial

South Carolina Laurens District: Personally came before me W D Watts Judge of the Court of Ordinary for said district Charles Allen Esquire who is a revolutionary soldier and being duly sworn according to law says that he was well acquainted with Martin Dial who was a soldier in the war of the revolution that said Martin Dial served as a private in the Company commanded by Captain John Ridgway in the Regiment of infantry commanded by colonels Hays [sic, Joseph Hayes] & Kilgore [Benjamin Kilgore] that the said Martin Dial serve for the term of 8 months to the knowledge of this deponent -- and from what he has heard he believes he served a much longer-term that this deponent saw the said Martin Dial several times during the Service, to wit;

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¹ Charles Allen S17819

in the upper part of said Laurens District on Beaverdam Creek and at the residence of deponent, that the said Martin Dial told the deponent that all his Brothers was Tories. These Circumstances enabled this deponent to speak more clearly as to the services of said Martin Dial who now petitions for a pension by his __ who is his Executor.

Sworn to before the 18th day of August A.D. 1851 Given under my hand and seal of office S/W. D. Watts,

S/ Chas. Allen

JCOLD