Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jeremiah Collins R2175 VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

[Capitalization partly corrected.] Stokes county } S.S. State Of North carolina }

On the sixteenth day of August one thousand Eight Hundred and Forty three, Personally appeared George Collins, Before Me Floyd Webb a Justice of the Peace of the court of Please and quarter Sessions in and for the county aforesaid aged fifty five 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 the 7th 1832.

That he the applicant is the only surviving heir of Jeremiah Collins dec'd who was a soldier of the Revolution, that he the said Jeremiah Collins, was born and raised in the county of Albemarlle [sic: Albemarle] state of Virginia, as this applicant has been informed by his father,

That he was drafted as a militiaman, dont know who he marched under, though served three months guarding prissioners in the county of Albemarlle [possibly prisoners captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and kept at Albemarle Barracks from Jan 1779 through Feb 1781], and was at the expiration of said term was honourably discharged and returned home, he was again called into the service, dont know the officers name he marched under nor whether he was drafted or volunteered, and served another tour of three months after the Tories in Tory settlements toward the mountains in North Carolina, making in the two tours six months service and after having rec'd. his last discharge he then removed to the state of N. C. Surry county now Stokes where he lived and died at the age of ninety four the 27th Sept. 1836 in which county he married and lived in union with his wife untill the year one thousand eight hundred & twenty eight, at which time she died, (they was marrid in the year 1787) this applicant further says that he has no documentary evidence of his fathers services, as his discharges has long since been lost or mislaid, there being no family record this declarant cannot with more percission state

this applicant further states that from affliction he is not able to travell to court to make this declaration without great illconvenacy to his health, and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension of an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state or only that of the agency of the state of N. C. and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension that this applicant did not know, that he was entitled to a pension untill very recently

Sworn to and subscribed the day and date first written. George hisXmark Collings [Certified by Mildred Lawson.]

NOTE: The name Jeremiah Collins appears on a list of Resigned, Dead, Deserted, and Discharged Convention Army Guards at Albemarle Barracks, 1 June 1779 - 1 August 1780 (http://revwarapps.org/b103.pdf).