Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Cox R2405

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The State of Alabama } SS Clarke County }

on this the 5th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open Court before me Sackull Wilkinson Judge of the County Court of Clarke County State of Alabama now sitting John Cox a resident of the State of Alabama in the County of Clarke aged sixty eight years 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

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated that he entered the Service in the Virginia Malitia on the first of September seventeen hundred & Eighty one that he entered the service under the comand of Captain William Gatewood and that shortly after he entered the service he was taken into a granidier [sic: grenadier] Company commanded by Col. Mercer [possibly John Francis Mercer] he further states that the troops that he served in was commanded by General Weeden [sic: George Weedon], and that he lived at the time he entered the service in Essex County Virginia and that he was drafted to serve two months in the Virginia Malitia and that he marched threw King Queen Counties [sic: King and Queen County] and into Middlesex County from thence to Glocester [sic: Gloucester] and that he served a bout two months he further states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. I hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to a pension or anuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state

Where and in what year were you born

I was born in Essex County Virginia in the year seventeen hundred & sixty four

Have you any record of your age and if so where is it I have none.

Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live

I lived when called into service as above stated in my declaration in Essex County Virginia from Virginia I moved to the State of South carolina Pendleton District and that he lived there nearly Eighteen years, from there moved to Franklin County Georgia, lived there some years and from thence moved to the Mississippi Territory now the State of Alabama, Clarke County where he now lives

How were you called into Service? were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a Substitute for whom?

I was drafted in the Virginia Militia as above stated in my declaration

State the names of some of the regular Officers? who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general Circumstances of your service. I was at Glocester attached to the Militia recolects General [Anthony] Wayne. many french officers were in Glocester at the time but does not recollect their names

Did you ever receive a discharge from the Service And if so by whom it was given and what has become of it

I received no discharge, was dismissed after Cornwallis was taken [19 Oct 1781]

State the names of the persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for Veracity and good behaviour, your services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

Mathew Cox and Malcomb Calhoune [Malcom Calhoun]

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

John hisXmark Cox