Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Moore R7337 Transcribed by Will Graves f19NC rev'd 5/5/17

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State of North Carolina, Edgecombe County: August term 1832 Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this 27th day of August personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions now sitting John Moore a resident of Pitt County North Carolina who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of June 7, 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He entered the service in February in the Company commanded by John Bryan [sic, John Bryant] and belonged to the Regiment of Colonel Whitmel Hill [sic, Whitmill Hill] – and went from Halifax to Guilford and was at the battle of Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781]. After the battle he returned home and at Halifax under Captain Toller [DeBaron Toller] until his three months expired.

He proves these facts by the evidence of Richard Taylor.

He hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed

S/ John Moore, X his mark

I Richard Taylor¹ do hereby certify that I was with John Moore in the service of the United States and belief the facts set forth in his declaration to be correct to the best of my knowledge & belief.

Sworn to & subscribed

S/ Richard Taylor, X his mark

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State of North Carolina, Edgecombe County: February Term 1834

Personally appeared before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Edgecombe John Moore who being duly sworn deposeth and saith -- That in addition to the tour of three months which he has set forth in the previous declaration and which he has proved by the oath of Richard Taylor he performed another service of six months under Captain Fulford [John Fulford] and attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Bell. He volunteered at or near the town of Beaufort N. C. and was employed in defending the harbor of said town from the ingress of British vessels, at the expiration of that time he returned home. He entered early in March (say 10th) and returned home about the first of October. He further deposes that he was

¹ Richard Taylor S7680

born in the County of Hertford North Carolina and until the last few years resided with the exception of the early years of his life he resided in the County of Martin. He is now about 71 years of age and in consequence of the great convenience of the Court in the County of Edgecombe he proved his services at that place.

Sworn to & subscribed S/ H. Austin, JP

S/ John Moore, X his mark

I Sally Lewis do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with John Moore and that I distinctly recollect the war. At which he entered as he states above and have often heard of his having served as a soldier in the Revolution.

S/ Sally Lewis, X her mark

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State of North Carolina Edgecombe County: June 30, 1834

Personally appeared before me Samuel Hopkins a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid John Moore of the County of Pitt who being duly sworn deposeth and saith --

That in the declaration proved by him before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Edgecombe in August 1832 he stated that he served three months in the North Carolina militia. He repeats this declaration and further states that he was drafted in the County of Martin where he was residing at that time. He thinks it was early in March 1781 that he left Martin and passing through Halifax and Harrisburg proceeded to Guilford and was in the battle at the Court House. After the battle he was ordered to Halifax and spent the balance of his period of service in guarding some British prisoners who were confined at Halifax. Captain Toller then had charge of him. In the early period of his service Captain Bryan commanded the company to which he belonged – These facts he has proved by the oath of Richard Taylor whose credibility has been attested by the Chairman and Clerk of the Court and wonderful warm.

In the second count of his declaration he has stated another service of six months. He volunteered as therein stated. Captain Fulford & Colonel Bell commanding the Company and Regiment. He was employed during the entire six months in defending the inlet that connects Beaufort Harbor with the Ocean and in such other duties of an irregular kind as were incident to the then state of the Country.

He has not furnished any direct evidence of this for the reason that his associates are mostly dead and his present residence is far from the place where the service was performed. This last service was performed in 1782.

In support however of his general good character he is of pans the certificate of Daniel Hopkins and

S/John Moore

S/ Daniel Hopkins, JP

S/ H. Austin, JP

[Hopkins and Austin attest the character of Moore.]

[p.16:—is an undated, unsigned statement in very rustic handwriting as follows:

"State of North Carolina Pitt County the declaration of John Moor [sic] of said County who says that in the ould [sic, old?] Revolution War, he served one three months tower [sic] as one of the militia under Colonel Hill and Captain Canady [sic, probably John Kennedy], and was in the battle gilford Cort house [sic, Guilford Court House] he further says he has proved his servitue

[sic, servitude] in Cort by Richard Taylor deceased – he further says that in the Next date after the Battle at gilford he in listed [sic, enlisted] under Captain Fulford and served one six-month tower at the fort at Buford [sic, Beaufort] town – Viz. from the first of March til the first of Sept and proved by Sarah Lewis deceased in open Cort who sayed she knowed of his going and knew him in the time of his service there but never knew of his comeing [sic] back