## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Randolph S14252 fn25SC
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## State of Mississippi Monroe County

On this 26th day of August 1833 personally appeared Hugh Randolph in open Court before the Probate Court of the said County now sitting age seventy-seven years the 16th of May last and a resident Citizen of said County of Monroe 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 passed June the 7th 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

The said Hugh Randolph states he entered the service of the United States as a drafted Militia man in the County of Fairfield State of South Carolina where he then resided in the spring of the year 1777 as well as he recollects in an expedition to guard the Town of Charleston under Captain William Simmons Colonel Thomas Drayton & Major William Goodin in which he served a period of 2 months that being the period for which he was drafted.

That in the fall of the same year that he was again drafted in the service of the United States in Fairfield district State of South Carolina under Lieutenant James Craig Captain William Simmons Colonel Thomas Taylor Major William Goodin General Williamson and went to Purrysburg down to the mouth of Savannah River served not less than 2 months and 2 weeks to keep the British from coming up to Savannah. That in the spring of the year 1778 as well as he recollects he was again drafted in Fairfield district and went under Captain McLennon whose given name he has forgotten Colonel Thomas Taylor Major William Goodin and General Williamson father-in-law to General Sumter<sup>1</sup> and went home expedition to Orangeburg that he continued in the service this time 2 months. When he volunteered and joined the Major Butler in a horse company commanded by him when the British were coming to Charleston and was engaged in reconnoitering and tearing up the bridge to prevent the British from coming in to Charleston just before the battle of Sullivan's Island that he was in the town of Charleston and saw the engagement and battle of Sullivan's Island but was not in the battle he had 2 brothers James & George Randolph regular soldiers who was engaged in the battle of Sullivan's Island under Colonel Marion and under Colonel Moultrie in this expedition in the horse under Major Butler he continued the rise of 2 months -- This affiant states that he was not again in the service of the United States until after the British came and took Charleston and that he was taken a prisoner of War and was placed on parole and so continued for 17 or 18 months as nearly as he can recollect that when General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene came into South Carolina and went into North Carolina and Virginia and when they had gone he was drafted & went an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Veteran is mistaken in stating that Andrew Williamson was Thomas Sumter's father-in-law. The veteran may have been confused by the fact that Andrew Williamson and Colonel Leroy Hammond were brothers in law.

expedition under Captain Simmons in the spring of the year 1782 down on Edisto River orange Burgh old Station he served 2 months to keep the Tories under -- that he returned home and moved up to Chester district South Carolina that he was drafted in Chester district in the company of Captain John Steel under Lieutenant Philip Walker Colonel Lacey & went down on Edisto River against the Tories that when the company arrived at old Orangeburg Station they discovered that there was nothing for them to do and we returned home in the course of 6 weeks. This applicant states that his memory has greatly failed him in his old age and that he is not able to be more particular and dates than is stated above and that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades -- that his grade was that of a private -- and that in the first expedition as above stated he served as above stated not less than 2 months. That in the 2nd expedition as above stated he served not less than 2 months. That in the 3rd expedition as above stated he served not less than 2 months, that in the 4th expedition as above stated -- he served in the horse company as above stated not less than 2 months, that in the 5th expedition he served as stated not less than 2 months and that in the 6th expedition as above stated he served not less than 6 weeks. He states that he is satisfied as I actual service from time to time was considerably greater than above stated but that he is unwilling to extend the. Too far and for the term above stated he claims a pension.

He states that the period of the war when he served was in the revolutionary war and from 1777 to 1782 as well as he recollects. And in answer to the questions propounded by the court in conformity to the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department -- he states that he was born in the County of Richland State of South Carolina on the 16th day of May 1756 that he has the record of his age having an old family Bible in which his name and age all written -- that he was in Fairfield district state of South Carolina when he was called into the service of the United States -- That since the revolutionary war he has lived in the States of South Carolina Tennessee and Mississippi, that he now lives in Monroe County State of Mississippi and has resided there for the space of 12 years last past. He was drafted and volunteered as he has before stated. He knew the regular officers Colonel Thompson Colonel Marion and Colonel Hor ie [sic, Horry]. He states that he was only a militia soldier and was not permitted to mix with the regulars and that he knew very little of the regular officers. He states that he does not believe the militia with which he served received any discharges. That he received no written discharge that he has any recollection of. He will state the names of the Reverend William Cook, John Dexter Esquire, the Sheriff of his County, John McKinney Esquire, Benjamin Land, Joseph Land, Jeremiah Riggins, Samuel Riggins and John Porchmant to whom he is known in his present neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution. This affiant states that he has no documentary evidence of his services and that he knows of no person who can testify to his services as aforesaid. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court

## S/ H. Randolph

[William H. Cook, a clergyman, and John Dexter gave the standard supporting affidavit.] [fn p. 9: home February 13, 1841 in Franklin County Alabama, the veteran filed for a transfer of his pension benefits stating that his reason for removing to Alabama was to be with his son and daughter in his old age.]