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Pension application of John Burford S15259
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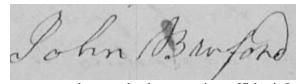
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State of Alabama Jefferson County: On this sixth day of May 1833 Personally appeared in open Court before John White the Judge thereof now sitting, John Burford Senior of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-four years in November last, who 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 7th 1832.

He entered the service of the United States on the first day of June 1779 and under the following named officers and served as herein after stated; he belonged to a company commanded by Captain Griffin, of the North Carolina troops in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Archy Lytle [sic, Archibald Lytle] soon after he entered the service, the company to which he was attached was ordered to march to the North they accordingly marched as far as Virginia, when they were met by an express from the main Army informing them of the evacuation of the northern states by the British, and commanding them to march to Charleston South Carolina which order there Colonel obeyed. He did not accompany the troops of Colonel Lytle to Charleston, but hired a substitute on the 21st of February 1780, which took his place during the war he having served in person eight months and twenty days at the time he entered the service he resided in Orange County North Carolina having before that time removed from the County of Bute in which he was born to said County of Orange, about the year after he entered the service as above mentioned, and shortly after he hired a substitute he volunteered in an expedition against the Tories led by Colonel Fanning he was commanded in this service (which lasted two months) by Captain Reynolds whose company was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Dudley in this service he equipped himself and his own private expense, found his own horse gun etc., without any aid from the Government, during the last mentioned service he held the post of first Sergeant, he has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person by whom he can prove his Services – he hereby relinquishes every claim 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.

S/ John Burford



[Hosea Holcombe, a clergyman, and John Brown gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.88 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for eight months as a private in the infantry and two months as a Sergeant of cavalry in the North Carolina militia.]