

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Charles Carter S1649

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State of Tennessee }
County of McMinn }

On this 3^d day of June personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of said county, Charles Carter Sen a resident of said county and state aged about 70 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 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. This declarant was born in the year 1762 in Powitan [sic: Powhatan] County Virginia. This declarant states that he entered in to the service of the united state Army about the year 1779 or 1780. The Capt was by the name of Capt Edward Munford [or Mumford] and Lieutenant Thomas Haley[?] that while under their command he marched from[?] When he entered the service to when [illegible word] where resided at the time towit in Powitan county in the state of Virginia to north[?] Hampton for the purpose of preventing the British Troops from landing on the american[?] side. This declarant remained there about six weeks received a discharge and returned home to Powitan County Virginia. afterwards this declarant, in one of the above named years, he thinks some time in June he was called upon as a Militiaman in the county aforesaid, and marched to Hillsborough North Carolina, and was there mustered in to service, his officers were Capt William Mayo, & Lieutenant, Thomas Hubard [sic: Thomas Hubbard]. the principle officers were General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens], Colo Falkner [sic: Ralph Faulkner] from Petersburg [sic: Petersburg], and Major Boyd [possibly William Boyce], we marched from Hillsborough north carolina to Rudgeleys mills [sic: Rugeley's Mill] and there they met or joined in with the army of General [Horatio] Gates, and Decalb [sic: Baron De Kalb], and there this declarant was [illegible word] with others to march in front of the army from Hillsborough [sic] to Camden or Cambin South Carolina. Where the English Troops were stationed, and on this rout this declarant with the balance of his Company got in to a scurmish with the brittish [see note below] at which place he rec'd a wound in his left Riss [sic: wrist] and was returned or brought back to Rudgeleys mills and from there on to Hillsborough, where he lay untill the month following this was in August. he was then reported fit for duty and again entered in to the service and was in the battle of Gilford [sic: Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] in the state of North Carolina and think he recd his discharge. in all then he had served about Ten months. he then returned home to Powitan and in May 1781 he joined a volunteer company of horse, and served untill the siege of york [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and was in divers scurmishes, one at Petersburg and one at James Town. his officers in the horse services Littlebury Mosby [Littleberry Mosby] Capt. and Wade Mosby Lt. Colo. Call and Major Stith. after the Siege of York he recd a discharge from Col Call. he served in all 18[?] or 20 months. he has lost his discharges he has no record of his age, but but believes he is a bout seventy years of age. he removed from Powitan County where he resided when he entered the service in Virginia to Jefferson County in Tennessee and from there to McMinn County Tennessee were he now resides he states that he knows of no person that is now in [illegible word] by whom he can prove the services as stated in the declaration or [illegible word]

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 the 3^d day of June 1833.

Charles hisXmark Carter Sen

NOTE: The skirmish between Rugeley's Mill and Camden occurred in the predawn hours of 16 Aug 1780 before the Battle of Camden.