

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Connelly S16719

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State of Missouri County of Boone: Sct.

On this first day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Circuit Court of the County of Boone and State of Missouri aforesaid John Connelly a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged about Seventy 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he was enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1781 (he thinks in the month of May or June) by a recruiting Officer named Cleggett in the town of Piscataway, in Prince George's County, Maryland and was marched to Annapolis, where he was placed under the command of Capt. Williams, commanding the 1st company of the 3rd Regiment, commanded by Col. Peter Adams – was marched from thence to Williamsburg, in Virginia, where he remained stationed a short time – marched thence, in the Army of General George Washington, to Little York, in Virginia, was in the Siege and at the Capture & surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] – Marched thence to South Carolina and formed a junction with the Army of General Nathaniel Greene [Nathanael Greene], at a place called "Round O." Here he was attached to the Second Regiment (so called) under the command of Col. John Stewart – and was under the command of Lieut. Edward Compton, and Ensign Samuel Hanson – and was marched to a place called Pond Pond [South Edisto River] – thence to Bacon's Bridge – thence to a position near Ashley River, where we remained encamped until the latter part of the fall or the beginning of the winter of 1781 – [paper damaged and text rendered illegible] the command of Major Roxburgh to Annapolis in the State of Maryland which we reached in the winter of 1783, – remained stationed at Annapolis, a short time and marched from there to Fredericktown in the State of Maryland, where we were employed in guarding the Hessian Prisoners, taken during the War – where we remained until the prisoners were discharged, when I obtained a furlough from Lieut. John Linn (being the principal in command at the time) permitting me to return to my place of residence, which was in Charles County Maryland. This was the only paper I received – there being at the time no person at that place to grant certificates of discharge.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Connelly



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Land Office, Annapolis, April 6, 1833

I Certify that it appears by a roll or list remaining in this Office endorsed "List of Sundry Soldiers enlistments;" That the name of John Connally [sic] appears upon said list; to have enlisted on the 5th day of June 1781 for the term of 3 years;

S/ George G Brewer
Regr. Land Office, W. S. Md.

[p 7: On April 2, 1855 in Boone County Missouri, Benjamin Conolly and Sanford Conolly both of Boone County filed a power of attorney in which they state they are the children of John Connelly deceased; that their father was a revolutionary war pensioner.

Benjamin Connelly
Sanford Connelly

[Facts in file: The veteran died in April 1849, place not stated. The veteran was survived by the following children: Milley A. Searcy; Jemima White; Sarah Ann Martin; Benjamin Connelly; Sanford Conolly; Francis Connelly; John Connelly; James I. (or J.) Connelly.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Maryland Continental line.]