Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Axom Lewis S16924 fn20SC
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State of Alabama Black County: On this fifth day of November in the year of our Lord 1832 Personally appeared in open Court before Samuel Wilkison [sic Samuel Wilkinson] Judge of the County Court of Black County now sitting Axom Lewis a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-three years 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. General Frances Marion Captain Philip Hancock, John Phillips Lieutenant James Philips Ensign -- he was drafted and entered the service the first day of August 1779 at Nelson's old field low grounds on Santee in the State of South Carolina march from thence to Cheraw Pedee there had an engagement with and routed a party of Tories from thence march towards a village called Black Mingo upon the waters of Black River having frequent skirmishes with parties of the Tories from thence to the Eutaw Springs from thence to Bacon Bridge Cousa Hatchey [sic, Coosahatchie], there had another engagement with the Tories from thence march back to the low grounds of Santee -- Nelson old field and while they are standing Sentry killed a very large dog accidentally and then received a discharge from General Marion upon the 31st day of August 1779, then resided near Camden in the State of South Carolina until October 1780 then entered the service again a mounted volunteer for the balance of the war finding my own horse under the same officers at Nelson's old field march from thence to Black Mingo & a village now in the district of Williamsburgh State of South Carolina from [there] to Cheraw Hill upon Pedee now the District of Darlington from thence to drowning Creek North Carolina from thence to Santee from thence near Charleston from thence by and in direct route back to Nelson's old field and there received another discharge from General Marion in October 1781 being twelve months in service as a mounted volunteer and lost during that year's service one good mare worth \$100, that deponent further states that he has no documentary Evidence of his service and that he can prove some part [of] his service by the testimony of ___ Kearslick¹ who served at the same time with deponent as adjutant of the Regiment.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Q 1 Where in what year were you born

Ans I was born in Nash County State of North Carolina upon fishing Creek near Culpeper's Bridge the 15th day of May in the year 1757

Q. 2 Have you any Record of your age

¹ Abraham Kearslick R20387

Ans: I have none

Q. 3. Where were you living when called into Service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live

Ans: Near Camden in the State of South Carolina removed from thence to Edgefield District in the said State of South Carolina from thence removed to the State of Alabama Black County where I now live

Q 4. How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute?

Ans: I was drafted the first term of service and served one month I then volunteered and served one year as a mounted volunteer

Q 5 State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops, where you served; Such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service

Ans: There was one Captain Glaze a regular officer with the Troops and the celebrated McDolalel [?] With his fine horse Selem where with us the number of the Regiment & not recollected

Q 6 Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Ans: I received two discharges from General Frances Marion but know not what has become of them.

Q7 State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood, and who can testify as to your character for veracity and good behavior your services as a soldier of the revolution

S/ Axsom Lewis, X his mark [sic]

[Hezekiah Bussey, a clergyman, and Abraham Kearslick gave the standard supporting affidavit.] [fn p. 12, Josiah Nicholson also gave a supporting affidavit as to the reputation and standing of the applicant.]

[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum based on 13 months service.]