

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Liles S1848

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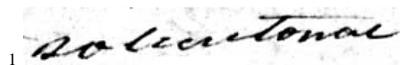
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State of Tennessee Roome [sic, Roane] County: Circuit Court September Sessions 1832

On this 12th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open [court] it being a court of Record, having a clerk & Seal, before Charles F. Keith presiding Judge for the 7th [indecipherable word, looks like "solecutonal"]¹ district David Liles ^{aged about 82 years} a resident of the County of Roane and State aforesaid, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year __ with Captain Daniel Jackson and served in the 10th Regiment as well as recollected and served under the following officers below mentioned, Applicant was born in Virginia mayho river County nor year not recollected, that he has no record of his age ^{from the best information is 82 years} old. Applicant was residing in North Carolina Rutherford County when he enlisted that he served as a regular soldier. Applicant states that Col. Sumter and General Green [sic Nathanael Greene] were the field officers, thinks that the Captain's name was Yearby [sic, Edward Yarborough?] and Lieutenant Hannah. Applicant enlisted for the term of three years and served out his term under the above named officers, that he was in one battle at Kittle Creek² in the State of South Carolina some 60 or 70 miles from small Town called congrees. Applicant was marched from Rutherford County through Greenville, Laranes [sic, Laurens?], Pendleton County ^{South Carolina} to Bakins Bridge [Bacon's Bridge?] upon Ashley River, then to the high hills of Santee, applicant was stationed the most of the time at the two last mentioned places, sometimes was sent out on scouting parties, the applicant received his discharge at the high hills of Santee then returned home. Applicant then volunteered in the same County aforesaid where ^{he} then resided, for the term of twelve months under the following officers, Col. Roebuck [Benjamin Roebuck], Major John Ford & General Greene field officers & Captain Lewis Duvall,³ Kaner Hutson [?]⁴ Ensign.



² There was an engagement at Kettle Creek in Georgia on February 14, 1779, between Whig forces led by Col. Andrew Pickens and loyalist forces led by Col. James Boyd. It is not clear, however, from the context of this veteran's statement that he is referring to this engagement. Nathanael Greene did not arrive in South Carolina until 1780. Kettle Creek February 14, 1779 <https://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790214-kettle-creek/>

³ [Lewis Duvall R3181](#)

Applicant continued to serve out his term of twelve months received his discharge from Captain Duvall but has lost the same; applicant was in one battle at Utau Springs [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781]⁵ South Carolina, that he was acquainted with William Washington who was called colonel and nephew of George Washington^{who} was taken prisoner by the British and carried to Charlestown as applicant understood, that he marched from Rutherford County aforesaid through Greenville, Pendleton and Louence [Laurens?] Counties South Carolina and joined the Main Army at Bakins Bridge in South Carolina, remained principally at Bakins bridge for three months, then was stationed a while at the High hills of Santee, applicant thinks that they then went to George Town [Georgetown], at which place [he] received his discharge and went home, that he was acquainted with Col. Casey [probably Levi Casey] who sometimes commanded; applicant continued to reside 23 years in all in Rutherford County aforesaid then moved to Tennessee Knox County resided about 9 years in said County then moved to Roane County where applicant has resided ever since to wit about 27 years that^{he} has been for a good many years^{acquainted} with the following persons neighbors and citizens of Roane County who can testify as to his veracity and their belief of applicant's services as a soldier of the revolution to wit Maj. Meriwether Smith, Col. Joel Embree, Jesse Terry, Samuel Dickey and said applicant could state 50 more if it was necessary. Applicant has no documentary evidence of his services and that he knows of no person living by whom he can prove his services. 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 the day and year above written.

S/ HS Purvis, DC

S/ David Liles, X his mark

[Michael Sellers [signed his name "M. H. Sellers"], a clergyman, and Meriwether Smith gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum effective March 4th, 1831, for two year's service in the revolution.]

⁴ *Harmon Goutsons*

⁵ https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html