

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Elmore [Ellmore] S31009

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State of Kentucky, County of Barren

On this 20th day of August 1832 version appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Barren County aforesaid now sitting, John Ellmore a resident of Barren County in the State of Kentucky aged seventy-three 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 7th June 1832: That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated: that he was drafted to serve in the Virginia militia for three months in the revolutionary war, and marched to Petersburg in Virginia, where he served eleven days, & was then discharged and returned home to Lunenburg County, Virginia, where he resided at and after the time of his entering the service. -- he cannot recollect the names of any of his officers. -- After this, the said John Ellmore removed with his family to Orange County in North Carolina where he resided until the war was over. -- He further states, that after his removal to Orange County aforesaid, he was drafted into the service in the North Carolina militia for three months, during which time he served, and was in the battles of Guilford [March 15, 1781] & Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] -- General Green [Nathanael Greene] commanded the Army at Guilford & Eutaw Springs & at Guilford Colonel Palmer [sic, probably Lt. Col. Thomas Farmer] commanded the Regiment & Captain Wing the Company in which the said Ellmore served. The said Ellmore further declares, that he was afterwards hired as a substitute a man who was drafted on a tour of three months, whose name he has forgotten -- that on entering the service as a substitute as aforesaid, he was told by his officers that if he would furnish themselves with a horse, bridle and saddle and a rifle gun he should be required to serve but two months of the three for which he was hired as a substitute, and that he did furnished himself as was required and served on horseback for two months, and was discharged from his said tour of three months. -- He further states, that he was afterwards drafted in the North Carolina militia for a tour of three months, and was marched to Hillsboro in said State, and served about two months in guarding the General Assembly then sitting at Hillsboro, and was there discharged, his services being no longer required. -- The said Ellmore cannot recollect the names of any of his Officers, except as before specified, nor can he recollect the years when he entered the service on the respective tours aforesaid. -- And he further saith, that he hath no documentary evidence of his service, having lost his discharges, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

The said John Ellmore 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 day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Ellmore, X his mark

[Andrew Nuckols, a clergyman, and Abner Acres gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans: In Lunenburg County in October 22nd in 1758

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans: I had one but it is now lost

3rd Where were you living when called into service: were you drafted, were you a volunteer, or substitute. If a substitute for whom

Ans: I was drafted -- when called into service I lived in Orange County North Carolina

Ques: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: After the war I moved to South Carolina York County & from thence moved to this County 26 years ago & I live in this County now.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans: General Greene, Colonel Palmer, Captain Groyn [?], Captain Hodge, General Malbury [?] -- I can not name the Regiments -- I was in the Battles of Guilford & Eutaw Springs

6th 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 did receive one from General Malbury,¹ who was a Frenchman & it is now lost

7th 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 their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans: John Carver, James Thompson Senior, Al N. Bratcher, Seth Bracher, John Woodson, Martin Bulton, Morton Pryor, Joseph Landis, Eli [paper torn, text missing], Jesse Curd, George Davis & many others.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.22 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 11 days in the North Carolina and Virginia militia.]

¹ This MAY be a confused recollection of Francois Lellorquis Marquis de Malmady (also Malmedy, Malmèdy) was an officer in the French cavalry who, upon coming to America in 1775, was brevetted as a major in the Continental Army on September 19, 1776. He rose to the rank of colonel and was at the Battles of Stono Ferry and Eutaw Springs, where he was in command of the North Carolina militia. Mark M. Boatner, III, *Encyclopedia of the American Revolution* (Mechanicsburg, Pa.: Stackpole Books, 3rd ed., 1994), 670-671. [Will Graves: [Jonas Hill R1799](#) says that he was under a French officer at Eutaw Springs and that the French officer was later killed at Camden by an American officer by the name of Sneed. Hill says he is not sure of the French officers' name but that he believes it was "Maltiertie" [or some such spelling—very hard to decipher the spelling. I think this may well be Malmady.]