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Pension application of Jeremiah Walker S31457

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the muster rolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that Jeremiah Walker a Sergeant in Captain Lytle's Company of the 10th Regiment entered the service on the 7th day of April 1781, for the term of 12 months and that he left the service on the 7th day of April 1782.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of March 1834 S/Wm Hill

Proceedings had on the application of Jeremiah Walker for a pension

To the honorable saith Lewis Judge of the 5th District Court of the State of Louisiana holding Court in & for the parish of St. Landry at the November Term 1833.

The petition of Jeremiah Walker an inhabitant & Resident of the Parish of St. Landry & State of Louisiana with respect represents. That he is desirous to apply for a pension by virtue of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 entitled "An act Supplementary to an act for the relief of surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Revolution" claiming the benefit of said act as having served in the Continental Army of the United States at the time. He therefore prays that your Honor would receive his declaration in open Court own oath and that all such proceedings may be head in the premises as our in conformity with Law & Justice and as in duty bound etc.

S/ Jeremiah Walker

State of Louisiana Parish of St. Landry: SS

On this 2nd day of December 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the 5th District Court sitting in & for the parish of St. Landry State of Louisiana being a Court of record, Jeremiah Walker, 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 7th 1832. He says that he served as a Substitute in the nine months levies of the North Carolina troops that he enlisted or hired himself as aforesaid at old Bute Court House in said State under Captain Robert Temple about the latter part of the winter or early in the spring of the year 1778. The company was marched into South Carolina in the march Captain Temple and the other militia officers were superseded by Continental officers. He remembers that

Colonel Armstrong commanded the Regiment to which he was attached. Deponent was engaged at the battle of Stono point [sic, Stono ferry] under the immediate command of General Sumner of North Carolina who commanded the North Carolina lines at that time & on that occasion. The deponent was then marched and joined General Gates and was present at Gates defeat near Camden. Deponent after that defeat returned to old Bute County North Carolina. Soon after his return home he entered as a volunteer in the North Carolina Militia under Captain Eaves who on the march out was wounded by Captain Richards in a personal rencountre with swords, who retired in consequence of his wound from the command of deponent's company and the same was devolved upon Captain Daniel Harris under whom he served and was engaged in the battle of Guilford Court House under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. Colonel Williams commanded the company to which deponent's company belonged. After the battle the Regiment with the remainder of Greene's Army marched to Ramsay's Mill where deponent not being pleased with the militia service & finding that Major Pink Eaton an officer of the Continental Army with whom he had served before as an orderly Sergeant and enlisted and thence proceeded by forced marches to join General Greene at Camden and was there detached to [indecipherable word, looks like "ofubate"] with Colonel Lee's Legion (Infantry) under the immediate command of Major Pink Eaton Captain Smith & Lieutenant Sanders the Christian names of the latter company officers not recollected and marched to Scotch Lake and took a Fort on the Santee thence marched to widow Motte's on the Congaree there took a Fort thence marched up the Congaree to Colonel Hampton's where another fortified camp of the British surrendered. Thence to Augusta Georgia where the fortifications commanding Augusta called Brown's & Grayson's forts [sic, Grierson Fort] (from the names of the British officers commanding them) were taken. At this place Major Pink Eaton was killed. Thence marched to a place called Cambridge in South Carolina where he joined General Greene again from thence he was ordered all under his old Captain Lytle & Dixon his Lieutenant with prisoners to Salisbury NC after delivering up the prisoners to a guard of militia he thence marched to the High Hills of Santee where he again joined his old Regiment under General Greene. Here the Army was continued for some time in order to recruit and guard against the effect of disease which was to no ordinary extent breaking in upon the Army. After having recruited, the line of march was taken up crossing the Wateree and Congaree rivers at their Junction. On the march near Colonel Thompson's the Army was halted for some days and [word written over and obliterated, appears to start "re" and could have been intended to be "received"] by General Green in person. The General remarked to the men that their condition was bad, that they were nearly naked and were down by long exposure and service. That he had in vain tried to better their situation to render them more comfortable but without success And the time was amoving [sic] close when they would be engaged with the enemy and in all probability some decisive affair, to behave like men fighting for their Liberties. Shortly after marched on to Eutaw Springs where we engaged the enemy. Shortly after deponent was discharged at Bacon's Bridge SC. During a portion of the time deponent was in service as aforesaid he remembers of the field officers of his Regiment names of Colonel Tilman Dixon [sic, Tilghman Dixon], and Major Donahoe [sic, Thomas Donoho] of the North Carolina line deponent further states that he served out the service periods for which he entered the Service of his country, was regularly discharged which said written discharge he has lost and this deponent Jeremiah Walker hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the 5th day of December 1833.

S/ Jeremiah Walker

S/ E. W. Taylor, Dep. Clerk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for one year service in the North Carolina line.]