

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Bradley S31575

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State of Georgia, Jackson County

On the third day of June 1833 personally appeared in open court before us Edward Adams, Nathaniel Jarrett & Samuel Burns, presiding Justices of the Inferior Court of said County now sitting as a Court of Ordinary & being a Court of Record, John Bradley, a resident of said State & County of aforesaid, aged 74 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 June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States as a private volunteer and served as herein stated in the militia line: in the month of February 1776, he then being a resident of Rutherford County in the state of North Carolina, under Captain McFadden [James McFadden] & marched to Cross Creek [Fayetteville] under Colonel William Graham against the Scotch & was in the service 40 days. He further states that in the month of June in the same year he volunteered & served as a private under the same officer a three months tour against the Indians; that the duty here performed was in guarding McFadden's Fort in the County of Rutherford. He further states that he volunteered as a private & served a three months tour as one of the Rangers under Captain Cook [John Cook], which tour ended in 1777 which service was performed on the frontiers of North Carolina.

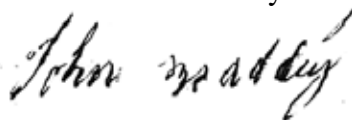
He further states that in the year 1777 or 1778, he volunteered as a private for & served a three months tour under Captain John Potts [sic, Jonathan Potts] & was occupied in building Fort Hampton on the frontiers of North Carolina. That sometime after (the precise date not recollected) he volunteered under Captain James Withrow as a private and served a tour of three months as a Ranger; was after the Tories principally during this tour. The next was a three months tour as a private & a volunteer under Captain William Whitesides in the year 1779 or 1780; was engaged as a Ranger after the Indians & Tories. He further states that he was in two skirmishes, to wit: one at Edward Hampton's & the other at Camp Creek. He further states that just before Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] was defeated at King's Mountain (year not recollect you) [October 7, 1780] he enlisted as a private for six months under Captain James Miller & was after the Tories during said service & that our operations were principally in South Carolina, on Enoree & Tyger Rivers.

He further declares that he served as a private a short tour after the Indians, under Captain James Grey & Major Singleton; that during this scout we killed five Indians.

He further declares that he has no documentary proof and knows of no other way by which he can establish his services but by his own Oath and that he verily believes that the whole time of his services during the Revolutionary War was not less than Twenty three months.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

S/ John Bradley



Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/Edward Adams, JJC

S/Nathaniel C. Jarrett, JJC

S/ Samuel Burns, JJC

[William Penticost, a clergyman, and Daniel McDaniel [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

[Note: This file contains no family data.]