Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Francis Farrar S31672 VA [NC]
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STATE OF GEORGIA, \rightarrow On this 22^d day of Oct, personally appeared in open

Clarke County. } Court, before A Hall Just[ice?] & presiding Judge of the Inferior Court of said County, now sitting, Francis Farrar a resident of — in the county of Clark and State aforesaid, aged 68 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 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated: That he served three separate tours of duty of three months each in the Militia. That he was born in Mecklenburg county [sic: formed from Lunenburg County in 1765] in the State of Virginia on the 8th of April 1764 as per Register in an old Bible, which was in possession of a brother some years ago & from which he has taken it where he continued until September 1780 at which time he entered the service of the United States Army under Capt J. Folkner [sic: John Faulkner] in Col Moores [William Moore's] Regiment as a substitute in the place of David Allen. The above service was rendered in N Carolina. It was shortly after Gates defeat [Battle of Camden SC where Gen. Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780] & he was sent with his Company to the Yadkin near the Moravian town to keep the Tories in check.

2^d Tour, he entered the service of the US in Dec'r of the same year under Capt Robert Smith in Col Robert Montford's [sic: Robert Munford's Virginia] Regiment & he thinks Genl [Edward] Stevens Brigade as a substitute in the place of Allen Burton & was in the Battle off Gilford [sic: Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781]. 3^d that he entered the service of the U.S. in July or August in the year 1781 in his own draft as a militiaman from Mecklenburgh County under Capt Elijah Graves in Col [John] Green's Regiment to the best of his recollection but there was another Regiment commanded by Col Pettit to which he may have been attached & was stationed at Glocester [sic: Gloucester] on the North Side of York [River] & was opposite little york at the time of the Seige & surrender of Cornwallis [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. I have no documentary evidence or know of any person who can prove my service. My name is not on any pension roll. I emigrated to this state in the year 1783 & lived in Richmond & Columbia Counties until the year 1807 & have been a resident of Clark County ever since. I re'd an honorable discharge in every tour which was given to the best of my recollection by each Captain under which I served but said discharges have been long since lost or destroyed

After the Battle of Gilford he marched in pursuit of the enemy as far as Ramsay's Mills [Ramsey's Mill at Deep River in Chatham County NC] where his term of service ended & he returned home with his company & was honorably discharged. He states the names of A. J. Clayton & John W. Graves as persons who will testify as to his character for veracity & their belief of having performed the services as a Soldier of the Revolution Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court this 22^d Oct 1832

Francis Farrar