Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Mathews (Mathis) S31839 Transcribed by Will Graves f11NC 4/17/09: rev'd 7/10/16

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State of Georgia Washington County:

On this fifth day of November 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Ordinary of the County aforesaid John Mathis [sic] a resident of said County and State and Aged Eighty Six years who being 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 I enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 or about that time to the best of my recollection and served as Cpl. [Corporal] with General Hogan [sic, James Hogun] and served in the 8th Regiment of line under the following named officers (namely) General Hogun, Col. James Armstrong, Lieut. Col. James Ingram, Major Harney [Selby Harney] and Capt. Nathan May [sic, probably Capt. James May, Jr.] and that I resided in the County of Halifax and State of North Carolina when I enlisted the service and marched to Alexandria and was carried from there by water to Georgetown and marched from thence to Valley Forge and was in the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and served three years and five months. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid S/ Samuel Robison, JIC

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S/ T. J. Warthen, JIC S/ Silas Floyd, JIC

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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 hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the Revolutionary war that John Matthews enlisted as a private soldier in Capt. Alderson's [Simon Alderson's] Company of the 5th Regiment on the 25th of December 1776 for 3 years, as a Corpl. in March, private in June Corpl. 28th of August 1778, and discharged the 1st of January 1780.

Given under my hand this 19th

day of April 1833. S/Wm Hill

Col. Buncombe [Edward Buncombe] commanded the 5th Regiment S/WH

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$88 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 2 years service as a corporal in the North Carolina Continental line.]