## **Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters**

Pension application of John Phillips (Philips) S31905 Transcribed by Will Graves f14NC 8/28/09: rev'd 11/27/17

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State of Kentucky Christian County SS

On this third day of September personally appeared in open court before the justices of the Court of Christian County now sitting John Philips aged Ninety Eight years a resident of the County of Christian and State of Kentucky who being first duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order that he may obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7, 1832:

John Philips states that he was born May 7th 1734 in Cecil County Maryland & has the record of his age in his house. When young moved to Frederick County same state and from thence moved to Rowan County State of North Carolina -- Was there drafted by Colonel Frank Locke [Francis Locke] Captain John Lopp (the year he does not recollect) & marched to the River Savannah & camped or stationed at Tooblys White House who was a Presbyterian minister, thinks the distance reached was near two hundred miles -- During this service he was employed in scouting up & down the River & had a slight skirmish with the British, but they River was between and does not know that any injury was done -- was out five months & two weeks on this trip -- At a subsequent period he was drafted & taken by General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] & Colonel Locke down to Salisbury to guard some prisoners & was in this service for three months & two weeks -- During the time the prisoners were exchanged and he was discharged -- He never got any other discharge than a verbal declaration of his officer -- During the first time he was in service he performed office of Butcher when in camp & was promised remuneration for five months labor but never received a cent of pay of any kind.

He is well known in the County and particularly in his neighborhood 15 miles from the seat of Justice and his character for veracity & presumptive evidence of his being a soldier of the revolution he will prove by Alexander Brazier & Stephen Bobbitt & John Armstrong.

He hereby relinquishes all claims whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in the United States.

Sworn & subscribed to the day & year aforesaid

S/ John Phillips

[John Bobbitt, a clergyman, and John Armstrong gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$29.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months and 28 days in the North Carolina militia.]