Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Fleming S32248 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Alabama Autauga County

On this 24th day of June 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Honorable Alwin A. McWhorter Judge of the County and Orphans Court, now sitting as Judge of the Orphans Court of said County, Samuel Fleming, a resident of said County and State aged seventy-three 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 under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That he was drafted in the State of Georgia, Burke County, in the year 1777 -- that he marched to Florida, under the command of Col. McMurphy [probably Daniel McMurphy], Lt. Col. Jones, and Major Pugh [probably either Francis Pugh or James Pugh], where he joined the regular Army, at St. Mary's, commanded by General Howe [Robert Howe] -- that he remained in this service five months -- That in the year of the capture of Lord Cornwallis, he volunteered in the State of Georgia, Burke County, and marched under the command of Capt. Alexander Erwin, to Augusta, where he joined the United forces of General Twiggs [John Twiggs] and General Clark [Elijah Clarke] -- that he marched with his Brigade from Augusta, about twelve miles below, where they encamped and formed headquarters during the summer -- and were engaged during the time in many scouting expeditions -- that he was in the engagement at the capture of Braw's [sic, Brown's Fort, Siege of Augusta May 26-June 6, 1781]] -- commanded by General Twiggs and General Clarke -- Col. Lewis and Major Pugh of the cavalry were in the battle -- that the period of his service as a volunteer was seven months.

That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

To the Interrogatories as prescribed by the War Department, to be propounded to applicants by the Court, which this applicant returns the following answers, which are, by the direction of the Court, inserted.

To the first Interrogatory he answers -- I was born in Antrim County, in Ireland in the year 1760 in the month of November of that year.

To the 2nd he answers -- I have no record.

To the 3rd he answers -- On my entering the service as above set forth, I lived in the places above mentioned. Since the Revolutionary War, I lived in Wilkes County, Georgia, till the

year 1821, when I removed to this County and State, where I have since resided.

To the 5th and 6th he answers -- I refer to the foregoing statement for such answers as I am now able to give the questions.

To the 6th he answers -- I never received a discharge, according to my present recollection, in writing.

To the 7th he answers -- I refer to the individuals who have signed the following certificates.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S Samuel Fleming

S/ Alwin A. McWhorter, JIC

[Eli Terry, a clergyman, Henly Brown and Joseph Goffe gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one-year in the Georgia militia.]