Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Thomas Queen S32280 fn25NC Transcribed by Will Graves rev'd 5/10/10

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State of Alabama, Morgan County

On this 1st day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Hon. Charles W. Peters Judge of the County Court of said County in open court now sitting as Judge of the Orphans Court of said County it being a court of record having power to fine and imprison Thomas Queen a resident of said County and State aged about Eighty 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 provisions made by 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. Then about the month of March 1780 he volunteered under one Captain Mackenzie, Lieutenant Humphrey Barnett, Ensign [name obliterated, it appears to start with "B"] in the County of Burke State of North Carolina and marched from that County in which she resided under said Company officers and Major __ Bluford and Colonel ___ Hill (the number of the Regiment he cannot recollect) and joined the Army and commanded by General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] at Brown's old fields upon the Congaree River in South Carolina and served for the time of about 15 months and returned home in the month of July 1781. That during his service he was in the battle at the Eutaw Springs¹ and lost his horn for which he has received no compensation. That he marched considerably in the States of North & South Carolina and Georgia and a part of his time he was attached to General Wayne's [Anthony Wayne's] Army in Georgia and went on an expedition in pursuit of some hostile Creek Indians to St. Augustine in Florida. That he had no particular acquaintance with any other regular officers except Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee], General Green [sic, Nathaniel Greene] & Colonel William Washington but does not recollect the numbers of the regiments of the United States to which they belonged. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first aforesaid.

S/ Thomas Queen, X his mark

S/M. M. MacKenzie, Clk SS

State of Alabama Morgan County: On this 14th day of May 1833 Personally appeared Thomas Queen before the Honorable Charles W. Peters Judge of the County Court of said County now presiding as

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¹ September 8, 1781

sole judge of the Orphans Court for said County and the said Thomas Queen being first duly sworn in open court makes the following statement as an amendment to his former declaration heretofore to wit on the first day of September 1832 filed in the said court in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832. And this to a company said original declaration as a supplement thereto to wit That he first volunteered under Captain McKenzie in the County of Burke North Carolina on the first day of March as he believes 1780 (who raised a volunteer company) and immediately innards and served as stated in his original declaration and served for sixteen months and fifteen days and was discharged on the 15th day of July 1781. That he served as a private in said company as set forth in his original declaration. This affiant further states that he received no written discharge from the service and that he has no documentary evidence of his service whatever and that proof of living witnesses cannot be obtained as [several words obliterated]. To the interrogatories prescribed by the war department not satisfactorily answered in his original declaration he answers as follows. That he was born in the County of Anson State of North Carolina on the __ day of __1753 though he has no record of his age and only recollects the year he was born from [indecipherable word] events and from the account he received from his parents that he has no recollection of the month or day he was born never having heard more than the particular year as above stated. That he had removed from the County of Anson in which he was born to the County of Burke in North Carolina where he resided when he entered the service of the United States in the company stated. That after the close of the Revolutionary War he removed from North to South Carolina to Union District from which place he removed to the County of Elbert Georgia and thence to Bedford County in Tennessee from which place he removed to Morgan County Alabama where he now resides and has resided there for thirteen years. That when called into service he was a volunteer in a regularly organized corps who served for the time mentioned by the order of the competent authority in the State of North Carolina and during the time he was engaged in no civil employment but acted as a soldier.

That he is well acquainted with Elections Thompson a minister of the gospel who is his near neighbor and Colonel Hugh D. Morrow both of home are his neighbors and have known him for many years and many others persons who are present who have known him well and can testify as to his character for veracity and the opinion of the people to whom he is known as to his services as a Revolutionary soldier. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid S/M. M. MacKenzie, Clk

S/ Thomas Queen, X his mark [Elections Thompson, a clergyman, and Hugh D. Morrow gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[on Nov. 26, 1845, H. D. Morrow filed notice in Madison County, Alabama, that he is the administrator of the estate of Thomas Queen, dec'd., and that Queen was survived by his widow Elizabeth, and the following children, Margaret, wife of Michael Butler; Nancy, widow of Andrew Bain; John Queen and Elizabeth Queen; that they are all the children of Thomas and Elizabeth Queen except Elliott and James Queen both of whom died intestate and without heirs other than their brothers and sisters.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$55 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 16 1/2 months service in the revolution.]