Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Minton S36156

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

before me this 12th day of June 1818

Georgia Before me came and personally appeared John Minton of the State and County Wilkes County } aforesaid who after being duely sworn deposeth as follows (Towit) That he this deponant Enlisted in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in the State of Virginia Cumberland County as a private souldier under the Command of Capt John Marcum [sic: John Markham] commanding the 1st Company of Infantry of the 1st Virginia Regiment then Commanded by Colo Charles Scott in the Continental line in or about the months of September or October in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy five that he served out the time of one year faithfully the term of time for which he this deponant was enlisted and was honorably discharged at Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] in the said State of Virginia by one Capt. Davis whose Christian name this deponant does not now recollect. And further this deponant saeth upon oath that in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty - in or about the month of August he this deponant again enlisted in the service of the United States by one Maj'r. William Hudgins [William Hudgens, Cumberland County Militial in the said State of Virginia Cumberland County and was placed under the command of one Capt Samuel Jones and was transfered from said Jone's Company to a Company commanded by one Capt John Marks and from said Marks's Company to a Company of Infantry commanded by one Capt John Anderson belonging to a Regiment Commanded by one Colo [Samuel] Hawes of the Virginia line of Continentals or regulars and that he this deponant faithfully served out the term of time for which he was enlisted which was the term of eighteen month and was honorably discharged at Charlott [sic: Charlotte]

Georgia } Came and personally appeared before me John Menton who after being duely Wilkes County } sworn deposeth and saieth in further coroboration of his oath hereunto annexed that in the time he was an enlisted souldier as expressed in the said annexed affidavit he was under the command of Generals Lee & Stephens [sic: Adam Stephen] and engaged as a souldier aforesaid in the battle at the long Bridge near Norfolk in the State of Virginia against the British Commander Fordice [sic: Battle of Great Bridge where Capt. Charles Fordyce was killed], who was then

in the State of North Carolina some time in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty two. The foregoing statements are substantially true as this deponant virrily believes. Sworn to and subscribed

John hisXmark Minton

Commander Fordice [sic: Battle of Great Bridge where Capt. Charles Fordyce was killed], who was then as this deponant believes under the command of Lord Dunsmore [sic: Royal Governor John Murray, Lord Dunmore] which was in the month of December [the 9th] in the year 1775. In the year 1780 he this deponant was engaged at the Battle of Gilford in the State of North Carolina under the command of General Green [sic: Battle of Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781, under Gen. Nathanael Greene] against Lord Cornwallis. In the same year this deponent was also engaged in a Siege against Thompsons fort on the Congaree River in the State of South Carolina under the command of General Green [sic: Siege of Belleville, the fortified home of Col. William Thomson, on 22 Feb 1781 by Gen. Thomas Sumter]. In the same State and on same River, this deponent was again engaged & fought as an enlisted Souldier of the United States at the Siege of Fridays ferry Fort under the command of Genls Green & [Isaac] Huger all in the year 1780 [sic: Siege of Fort Granby near Friday's Ferry, either under Sumter 19 - 21 Feb 1781 or under Lt. Col. Henry Lee 2 - 15 May 1781] in the same year and in the same state this deponant was engaged and fought at the Siege of Ninty Six [sic: Ninety Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] commanded by Genl Green and Colo Hawes against a British commander by the name of Cruger as this deponent believes, and this deponent further saieth that he was engaged at the Battle of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781] in the said State of South Carolina under the command of Genl. Green and his

Subbarlton officers, and also at the battle of the Eutaw Springs in the said State of South Carolina [8 Sep 1781], as also in many other Battles and scurmeshes dureing the time this deponent was an enlisted souldier in the Service of the United States at the emmenent danger and risk of his life, and this deponent further saieth that he this deponent believing his discharges would never be of any service to him directed his wife to burn them which this deponent believes was done previous to his removing from the state of Virginia to the said state of Georgia nor has this deponent now in his power to proove his services so rendered as aforesaid by reason of his old age debility and incapacity to travel in search of evidence. The foregoing statement sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of June 1818

John hisXmark

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State of Georgia } In Wilkes Court of Oyer & Terminer 1820 Wilkes County SS }

On this first day of August 1820 Personally in open Court (appeared) being a court of Record for the said County and State aforesaid John Minton aged sixty seven years in March next resident in the said County and State who being first duely sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows that he was enlisted as a private in Cumberland County State of Virginia in the 1st Regiment commanded then by Colo Patrick Henry in a Company Commanded by Captain John Marcum which Regiment belonged to the Virginia line on Continental Establishment, that he is now a pensioner under the act of Congress of the 18th day of March 1818 that his original declaration to obtain his pension bears date on the 12th day of June 1818 and his pension Certificate is numbered 4.798 That he served in said Regiment and others under his Enlistment three & more years and for further particulars of his enlistment service and discharge refers to his original declaration sent to and now in the war department. Further the deponent saith and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, and I further swear and declare that I have been a Hatter by trade but am now too old feeble and debilitated to follow my said trade so as to make it a means of support That I live in a house belonging to E. B. Thomas and subject to his call. have a wife but no child residing with me, my wife is about forty five years old. all which circumstances I submit to the war department in order to Judge of my indigent circumstances John hisXmark

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Schedule annexed to the foregoing declaration
1 Cow 1 Calf 1 yearling common cattle \$20.00

NOTES:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse VA after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: John Minton/ age 24/ height 5 $6\frac{1}{4}$ / hatter/ born and residing in Cumberland County VA/ brown hair/ gray eyes/ fair complection/ enlisted 2 Sep 1780 for 18 months.

On the pension certificate is a note that Minton died 22 Mar 1821.