Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Pitt S3689
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State of Tennessee Sumner County: August Term of County Court 1832

On this the 20th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the said Court Henry Pitt a resident of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee aged seventy-two 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 7th 1832 --

States that he was born in the County of Isle of Wight in the State of Virginia and moved to the County of Edgecombe in the State of North Carolina, -- He was born in the year 1760 -- He has a record of his age in his Bible & as given to him by his parents at his residence in this County -- he was living in the County of Edgecombe in the State of North Carolina when called into service, and still continued to reside in that County after the revolutionary war 'till the year '96 when he removed to the County of Sumner and the State of Tennessee where he now lives --

He entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated --

He belonged to a drafted company commanded by Captain Edward Clinch and served under him for the term of five months. The first Lieutenant of the company was William Hall, the Major was Joseph Clinch [Joseph J. Clinch] the Colonel was by the name of Eaton [Thomas Eaton] and the whole commanded by General Ash [sic, John Ashe] -- They marched through the State of South Carolina in pursuit of the Tories, they marched also into the State of Georgia and had an engagement with the enemy at Bryar Creek [sic, Briar Creek, March 3, 1779] -- they remarched into the State of South Carolina and remained in that State until they were discharged. He had a discharge but it is now lost, he thinks it was signed by Captain Clinch -- After he was discharged he returned back to the State of North Carolina -- he was called into service a second time for the term of three months, under Captain James Wilson, Lieutenant William Fort. The object of this service was to protect the inhabitants of the Counties in the lower part of the State of North Carolina against the depredations of the Tories. For this last service he had a discharge which has been lost also. He thinks the discharge was signed by Captain Wilson. He does not now recollect the names of any officers except those already stated.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to in open Court August 21st 1832.

S/ Henry Pitt

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Test: S/A. H. Douglass Clerk

[James Brigance, a clergyman, and Humphrey Mires [Humphrey Myers?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for services as a private for 8 months in the North Carolina militia.]