Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Arnold S37684 Transcribed by Will Graves

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District of Georgia, Washington County

On this seventh day of August 1819 before me, the Subscribed, one of the Judges of the Inferior Court for the said district personally appeared William Arnold age Sixty years resident in Washington County in the said district who being by me first duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States in the revolutionary War, That he the said William Arnold enlisted for the term of one year – on the 15th day of March 1781 in the State of North Carolina and Joined General Green's [sic, Nathanael Greene's] Army second Battalion of North Carolina troops in the Company Commanded by Captain Thomas Armstrong & Benjamin Carter of the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Armstrong in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to Serve in the said corps or in the Service of the United States until the first of May 1782 when he was discharged from Service in State of South Carolina, that he was in the Battles [sic] of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] where he was wounded – and that he is in reduced circumstances, & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for Support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his Services.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thos. Pace, JIC

S/William Arnold

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State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 22nd November 1819

I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the Revolutionary war that William Arnold a private in Captain Carter's company of the 10^{th} Regiment was mustered in April 1781 for 12 months and that his time was out on the 25^{th} of April 1782.

Given under my hand the date above.

S/Wm Hill

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On the fourth day of September 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of Record for the County of Washington William Arnold aged about Sixty years who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820 that he the said William Arnold enlisted for the term of twelve months in the year Eighty-one in the State of North Carolina in the Company

Commanded by Captain Benjamin Carter in the second Battalion of the second Regiment Commanded by Col. Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon] in the line of the State of North Carolina on the Continental establishment that he continued in the said Corps until the first day of May '82 & that he was at & in the Battle of Eutaw Springs and that he has no other Evidence now in his power of his said services except his own and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 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 any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with an intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Services during the Revolutionary War passed on the 18th of March 1818. And that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due me nor have I any income other than that contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

S/ William Arnold

The following is a list of property owned by me – Viz.. Eight head of hogs and a small quantity of household furniture and my occupation is a carpenter and I am so old and infirm that I cannot follow my trade to my advantage. My family consists of a wife my wife's name is Elizabeth her age about 60 my wife is unable to do anything being afflicted with Rheumatism and is unable to work and is not able to help me much.

Sworn to and declared this 4th June 1820.

S/ William Arnold

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 7th, 1819, for service as a private for one-year in the North Carolina Continental line.]