Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Nipper (Nippers) S38265

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on this ninth day of May 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the General court of the state aforesaid personally appeared George Nipper aged sixty four years resident in the County of Hardy in the State aforesaid 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 the said George Nipper enlisted in the year 1778 in the company commanded by Captain Adam Wallace 6 Virg'a Regt. Colo Rich[?] Campble [sic: Richard Campbell] th of the said State. That he Continued to serve in the said corps or in the Service of the United States untill the year 1781 [sic] when he was taken prisoner at Waxaw settlement state of South Carolina that he was in the battle of Waxaw [sic: defeat of Col. Abraham Buford at the Battle of Waxhaws SC near Hanging Rock, 29 May 1780] and at Cornwallas defeat before York Town [sic: surrender of Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] And that he is in reduced Circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence of his services except the affidavit now enclosed

Virginia Sc

John Smith made oath before me a Judge of the General Court of the state aforesaid that he was well acquainted with George Nipper an applicant for a pension under the late act of Congress and knows that he belonged to the 6th Regiment of Virginia commanded by Colo Richard Campble Capt'n Adam Wallaces comp'y and served more than a year & was taken prisoner by the enemy at the Waxaw settlement

Given under my hand this 9th May 1818

H'h. Holmes

Virginia Sc Hardy County

Personally appeared before me Hugh Holmes a Judge of the General court of the State aforesaid Colo Joseph Vanmeter [pension application S16010] during the Revolutionary War an Ensign in the eleventh Regiment Continental establishment who deposeth that he was at what is called Blueford defeat at the Waxaw settlement or Hanging Rock and knows Geo Nipper the applicant for a pension was in the Revolutionary War an acted as a soldier – the affiant believes that said George was at said defeat as he has wounds the result of the day – the affiant saw said Geo there – Affiant does not recollect the time he served Given under my hand this 10th day of May 1819

H'h. Holmes

Virginia Hardy County Sct.

At a Court continued and held for Hardy County the 14th day of June 1820. present William Heath John Craigen Christopher Simon David Vanmeter Joseph Williams & Jones Green} Gentlemen Justices

George Nippers an applicant on the pension roll made in conformity to the Act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the regulations of the War department of the United States prior to the 1st day of May 1820 and who considers himself entitled to a pension under the restrictions of the Act of Congress 1820 this day personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record made so by express acts of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth aged Sixty Six years & resident of this County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Bluford in Captain Adam Wallaces Company in the Virginia line

and that the date of his original declaration is the 9th day of May 1818 and that the number of his pension Certificate is 13857. And the said George Nipper did further make oath as follows, to wit, "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 (necessary bedding and wearing apparel excepted) and by me subscribed.

"Schedule of the Estate of George Nipper

George Nippers"

And the said George Nippers declares that he is by occupation a Farmer but from bodily infirmity from his wounds received in s'd. war and from his age he is unable to pursue it, that his family consists fo a wife & six children towit, Robert aged 19 years next December Delilah of 21 years Milly 18 years – Betsy 15 years – Polly 12 years & Nancy of nine years of Age residing with him that from the circumstance of his having only one son & five daughters his children are incapacitated in a great measure to support his family —

Sworn to and declared by the said George Nippers on the $14^{\rm th}$ day of June before the before mentioned sitting Justices

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: George Nipper, age 25, height 5' ½", black hair, blue eyes, dark complexion, "sale maker" residing in Hampshire County.