## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of Andrew Melloy S38945 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## The State of South Carolina

By the Honorable Waddy Thompson, Esquire, one of the Judges of the Court of Equity for the State aforesaid.

Before me personally appeared Andrew Melloy, who, being duly sworn, and declared under oath, that he is a citizen of the United States, resident in the District of Abbeville and State aforesaid: that he served in the War of the Revolution, as a private soldier, for a term longer than nine months, on the Continental Establishment; that he enlisted in the spring of 1776 in Captain John Bowie's Company, third Regiment, South Carolina Line, commanded by Colonel Thompson [sic, William Thomson], and continued in the service until he became a prisoner of war some years after, when his company & others under the command of General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] were surrendered to Paris [Pearis?] & Cunningham, two Tory officers, at Cowhead in the District of Abbeville aforesaid; that during the whole time of his service, he continued under the command of Captain Bowie, although by some understanding between Congress & the State of South Carolina, his company, about a year after his enlistment, he came the first Independent Company of South Carolina whether belonging to the Continental Establishment or not to this deponent unknown; that after his capture his company was disbanded, and he never again entered the regular service, or received a discharge, although he afterwards belonged to the Militia under General Greene [Nathanael Greene]; & that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support.

In testimony that the above named Andrew Melloy did swear & subscribe the foregoing affidavit before me, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Court of Equity for the District of Ninety Six & State aforesaid to be hereunto affixed this 13th day of November A.D. 1818.

S/ W. Thompson

S/ Andrew Melloy, X his mark

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South Carolina Abbeville District: Personally came & appeared Robert Crawford Senior<sup>1</sup> of the State & District aforesaid, and being sworn as the law directs, saith that to his certain knowledge, Andrew Meloy, Enlisted in the Regular Service in the Spring of 1776 under Captain John Bowey and continued in said Service several years, But cannot precisely recollect how long --

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This is PROBABLY the same man as **Robert Crawford S3225** who filed in Maury County TN for a pension. Crawford says in his application that he lived in Abbeville District, SC until 1830.

Sworn to November the 9th 1818 Before me.

S/ Jas. Foster, JP

S/Robert Crawford, Sr.

[Facts in file: In a letter dated June 1, 1835 dateline Lincoln County Georgia, there is a statement made that Miss Catherine Melloy, daughter of Andrew Melloy, lives in that County; that her father was "very dissipated" and became intoxicated and lost his pension certificate; that he died 7 or 8 years ago leaving 5 children one of whom is an "idiot."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 13, 1818, for service as a private in the South Carolina Continental line. He also served in the South Carolina militia.]