Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Butler S39263

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State of South Carolina }

Laurens District } On this 25 day of Sep'r. Eighteen hundred and eighteen, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Ordinary of the state aforesaid, personally appears John Butler, aged Fifty Six years, resident in Laurens Dist. and the s'd. state, who being 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 personas engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war;" That the s'd. John Butler, enlisted as a soldier, into the service of the United States, under Capt. Thomas Barby [sic: Thomas Barbee], of the Second Virginia Reg't. commanded by Col. Haws [sic: Samuel Hawes], and that he continued to serve in the said service of the United States until the close of the War, in the whole about twenty months, when he was discharged from the service in the State of North Carolina at Salisbury.

That he was in the battles of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781], Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781], the Eutau [sic: Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781], & Siege at Ninety Six [SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781], under Genl. [Nathanael] Greene, and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for a support; that his discharge is lost, & has no further evidence in his power of his said services. – Sworn to & declared before me, the day & year aforesaid. — John hisXmark Butler [John Weatherall, pension application R11187, certified that he knew John Butler in the service.]

NOTE: A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Jn'o. Butler/ age 18/ height 5′ 11″/ farmer/ born and residing in Culpeper County VA/ dark hair/ hazel eyes/ dark complexion/ enlisted 20 Sep 1780 for 18 months.