Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Ramsey S4037 fn18NC
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State of North Carolina Iredell County: On this 24th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions now sitting Andrew Ramsey a resident of the County of Iredell & State of North Carolina aged seventy-seven years, who being first 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 -- That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers & served as herein stated -1^{st} He served in a tour to South Carolina was under Captain Falls commanded by General McDowell Major James Rutherford & Major Sharp -- crossed Santee [River] -- passed down by Eutaw Springs recrossed & went within 18 miles of Georgetown -- they heard of the surrender of Charleston & began to retreat -- met with Colonel Bluford [sic, Abraham Buford] & General Caswell who were also on the retreat -continued with Caswell & passed on towards Fayetteville in North Carolina & by Guilford to Phifer's in Cabarrus [County] & then home in Iredell then Rowan -- this service began in April 1780 & ended in June following making 3 months, for which he had volunteered -- I a short stay at home & few days after the Battle of Ramsour's [Ramsour's Mill] he turned as a scout & a guard on & about Catawba River in Iredell & Lincoln & though not constantly under regular command yet was considered by himself & the officers been passed in service & continued therein for 3 months, he was then a volunteer as before --

He was next in a horse company under Captain Dixon & Lieutenant Ramsey his brother when Cornwallis was in Charlotte -- was called a Ranger & was employed in watching the motions of the British -- was out as a volunteer & served a week or more -- was next out under Captain Ramsey & General William Davidson [William Lee Davidson] -- was at Cowan's Ford on Catawba [River] -- when a part of the British Army crossed & when in the action which took place General Davidson was killed -- was a volunteer & out upwards of a week -- in February 1781.

Next served under Captain Penny and Colonel Pickens as he thinks -- marched towards Fayetteville & Little River -- they maneuvered through that section to keep down the Tories who were numerous & threatening -- he made out a tour of 3 months 6 weeks service in horse was made by Proclamation of General Rutherford equal to a tour of 3 months in the foot -- he received at the close of this term a discharge from Captain Penny which is lost = & this is the only discharge he ever received -- began a few days after the battle at Cowan's Ford & continued till a few days before Guilford Battle.

He was born in Charles County Pennsylvania in 1755 of which he has a record -- moved to the place where he then as now live in 1766 -- that he is well known to William Falls who is his neighbor & also to Galbraith Neil a neighbor -- has no documentary proof of the above

service & knows of no further evidence than the annexed to establish it.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year above

S/ A. Simonton, Clerk

S/ Andrew Ramsey

[William Falls and Galbraith Neil gave the standard supporting affidavit. "And the said William Falls 1 further states that he was out in part with Andrew Ramsey in the expedition to Little River herein mentioned & thinks his statement of services there is true."]

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¹ William Falls S6834