Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Wynne Dixon S46000 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Revolutionary Claims Treasury Department, August 14, 1828

Wynne Dixon of __ in the County of Henderson in the State of Kentucky has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that was an officer in the Continental line, and served as such to the end of the War,

at which period he was a Lieut. in the First regiment of the North Carolina line; and that he received commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and, further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March 1826, nothing dollars, paid to him by the agent in the State of ___

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department, Third Auditor's Office, August 19, 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that final settlement certificates had been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to Lt. Wynne Dixon in the North Carolina line, amounting to Sixteen Hundred dollars.

It further appears that Wynne Dixon is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been since the 3rd of March 1826 at the rate of — per month.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

For the Purpose of obtaining the Benefits of an act of Congress entitled an act for the relief of certain Surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Army of the revolution appeared on the 15th of May 1828 I Wynne Dixon near the read Banks [sic, Red Banks] in the County of Henderson in the State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I was an officer in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution and Continued to serve as such to the time when the arrangement of the Army provided by the resolves of Congress of the 3rd and 21st of October 1780 was carried into effect And from that time I continued to serve to the end of the War at which period I was a Lieutenant in the first Regiment of the North Carolina line on the Regiment commanded first by Colonel John B. Ash [sic, John Baptist Ashe] and then by Colonel H. Murphey [sic, Hardy Murfree or Murphree].

And I also declare that I afterwards received a certificate Commonly called a Commutation

Certificate for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay which some was offered by the resolves of Congress of the 22^{nd} of March 1783 instead of the half pay for life to which I was entitled under the resolves of the 21^{st} of October 1780.

And I do further declare that I have received from the United States as a Pensioner since the third day of March 1826 no money.

S/Wynne Dixon

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[John G. Holloway and John Moffett gave a certificate to the effect that Dixon enjoyed a reputation in the neighborhood in which he lived as an officer of the Army of the revolution.]

War Department Pension Office

February 24, 1828

Sir I have examined the claim of men Dixon and have found his name on and of the Rolls of this Office, but I am sorry to inform you that his name cannot be inscribed on the pension list. It appears that he has conveyed his property to his son Archibald Dixon and in consideration thereof a son is obligated not only to be paid the Claimants debts but to support him and his family during his life: under such circumstances a pension as in no case been granted because the law was intended to provide for those only who were unable to live but by public or private Charity the papers will remain on the files of this Office agreeably to our regulations.

I have the honor to be very respectfully your Obedient Servant,

S/J. L. Edwards

Honorable Philip Thompson

House of Representatives

By reference to the papers filed in the War department above mentioned in the above letter my Commission may be found which I enclosed with the other papers when I applied in 1828 for a pension: there were also be found enclosed with said papers the certificates of Major Thomas Donoho & Peter Smith proving my services. If my claims are granted I would be glad to hear from the war department on the subject before the money is remitted as perhaps it might be safer for me to send in for it than to risk having it sent by mail. I am old, afflicted and poor: and will gratefully acknowledge any attention which may be bestowed in adjusting my claim. Please write to me as soon as possible on the subject and let me know whether I am to succeed or not.

Hon. Richard Rush Secretary of the Treasury Respectfully &c., S/ Wynne Dixon