Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McKor (Melker) Eller (Ellor) S6817 f24NC
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State of North Carolina Rowan County: Superior Court of law April Term 1833

On this 9th day of April in the year of Lord 1833 personally appeared before the Judge of the Superior Court for the County of Rowan, John Melker Ellor of the County and State aforesaid, aged 77 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath take the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he volunteered in the Army of the United States in the year 1780 under General Semoles [?]¹ with Richard Graham Captain Fred Hambright [Frederick Hambright] Lieutenant [Colonel] and served a tour of three months (refer to certificate of discharge)

That he afterwards served three months at the Head of the Catawba River under General Rutherford and David Caldwell Captain (refer to certificate of discharge)

That he served ten days on the Yadkin River under Peter Faust in erecting a Fort

That he captured a deserter from the Continental line of North Carolina (see Certificate) which he states on oath, was from a previous understanding with his officers considered equivalent to three months service, which procured him an exemption from service for three months, but with the same pay as if in actual service -- making in all something more than nine months service --

That he was residing in the County of Rowan NC at the time he was called into service and that he had continued to reside in the same County since the revolutionary war.

Sworn to in Open Court 9th April 1833

S/ John McKor Eller, 3 his mark

S/ Henry Giles, CSC

[Abraham Ary [?] and Christian Kesler gave these standard supporting affidavit for "John Walker Eller"]

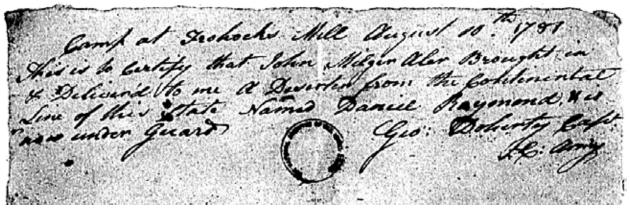
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"Camp at Frohocks Mill August 10th 1781

This is to Certify that John Milger Aler [sic] Brought in & Delivered to me a Deserter from the Continental Line of this State Named Daniel Raymond, & is placed under Guard.

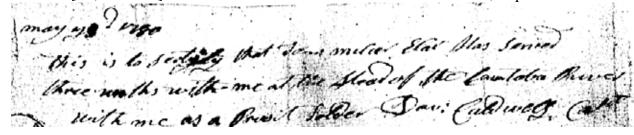
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S/ Geo. Doherty, Capt. L. [?] C: Army"



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"May 23rd [?] 1780

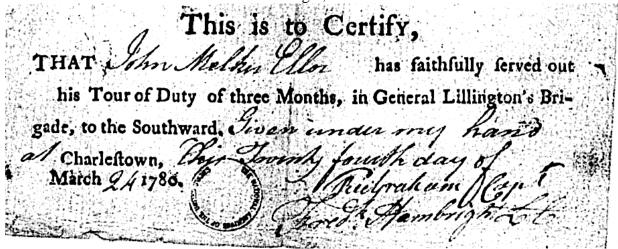
This is to sertify that John Miller Elar Has Served three months with me at the Head of the Cawtaba [sic, Catawba] River with me as a Previt Solder S/ Dav: Caldwell, Capt."



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"This is to Certify, That John Malker Ellor has faithfully Served out his Tour of Duty of three Months, in General Lillington's Brigade, to the Southward, Given under my hand at Charlestown, this Twenty fourth day of March 24, 1780.

S/ Ric: Graham, Capt. S/ Fred^k Hambright, LC"



[p 20—appears to be a discharge signed by Peter Faust, Capt. and dated [month illegible] 30, 1781—but the text is too faint to read—it does appear to have a reference to "10 Days".]



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.10 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 10 days in the North Carolina militia.]