Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Wilson Howard S7032
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State of North Carolina Edgecombe County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions August Term 1832

On this 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting, Wilson Howard, aged 79 – a resident of Edgecombe County who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration.

That he entered the service of the United States and served as herein stated.

He entered the service about a month before the fight at Guilford in a company commanded by Captain Northern – which company belonged to a Regiment commanded by ____. Having embodied on Fishing Creek – he went with other Troops to Guilford in passing by the place where the engagement took place went on to South Carolina. In the meantime Captain Eaton took command of the company. He remained in South Carolina and Georgia for more than twelve months during which time he was at the battle of Eutaw Springs – also at the capture of several small fortune – and some other skirmishes on one side of which (at Augusta) Captain Eaton was killed and he was put under command of Captain Lyth [sic, William Lytle]. He returned to North Carolina & was discharged near Salisbury. This embraced a period of 15 months.

He has no positive personal evidence to prove these facts by – but he appends several certificates hereto.

He relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to – and subscribed

S/ Wilson Howard, X his mark

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I Jesse Coburn do hereby certify that I saw Mr. Howard in the Army and believe that it is the general impression in the neighborhood where he lives that he did serve in the revolutionary Army.

S/ Jesse Coburn

State of North Carolina Edgecombe County: April 22, 1833

Wilson Howard personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith –

That he was born in the County of Edgecombe State of North Carolina and has done so during his whole life except a very short time during which he resided in the County of Martin. He was born in the year 1753 – and has a record of his age left by his father – He refers to the certificate of William R long and Roderick Purvis as to his character for veracity and the general belief as to his services and to the certificate of Jesse Coburn who saw him in the Army both of which certificates were proven before the Court in August last. He also refers to a Certificate which was sent on by Dr Hale [sic, William Hill?] to the War Office which had been procured from the office of Secretary of State at Raleigh – He did not procure the Certificate of a clergyman for the reason that none resides in Tarboro – and traveling is painful and inconvenient to him in consequence of his advanced age.

S/ Wilson Howard, X his mark

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war shows that Wilson Howard a private in Captain Lytle's Company of the 10th Regiment enlisted on the 12th of April 1781 for 12 months and left the service of the 12th of April 1782. Given under my hand this 8th day of July 1833.

S/Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]