Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Walker S7796

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State of North Carolina } Wake County }

Nov. [?] – 1832

John Walker personally appeared in open Court, it being a Court of record (aged 75 years) and being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832 – That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as hereinafter stated – to wit – that he entered the service under Capt. Pink Eaton [Pinketham Eaton] of Warren – then called Bute [County] – thinks about 12 months before the capture of Lord Cornwallis [on 19 Oct 1781] - marched out to South Carolina & took Thompson Fort on the Santee [Belleville, the fortified home of Col. William Thomson near Fort Motte, 22 Feb 1781], then marched to Augusta there captured two forts Brown [Fort Cornwallis, 1 Jun 1781] & Grasan [sic: Fort Grierson, 23 May 1781] then marched to ninety six & joined Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene at Siege of Ninety-Six SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781] - then came back to Headquarters at the High Hills of Santee & continued with Gen'l. Green until discharged – that his whole term of service was 12 months – having left home in April & returned in May – that his first officer Eaton was killed at Augusta – that after he got to ninety six he was put under the command of Capt. William Lightle [sic: Lytle] – with whom he served untill his discharge – that he received a discharge but has lost it – was born in December 1755 in Warren or Bute [Warren formed in 1799 from Bute, which was formed in 1764 from Granville] -

that he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares his name is not on the pension roll of any State – John Walker

Shadric Medlin [Shadrach Medlin, pension application S42869] hereby declares that he was acquainted with the above named John Walker & knew him in the service under Capt. William Lightle [sic: William Lytle S46228] & that he has known him for the last 19 or 20 years as a citizen of Wake County & has never heard it disputed but always has been considered a soldier of the revolution – that he supposes him now to be upwards of seventy years of age.

Shadric Medlin

State of North Carolina

Wake County

John Walker personally appeared in open Court & after being duly sworn according to law – makes the following amendatory declaration in order to obtain a pension &c –

1. Where & in what year were you born?

Was born in Bute now Warren County in the year 1755.

- 2. Has no record of my age my Brother having taken it off with him.
- 3. was living in Bute when called into service has lived in Wake County ever since the revolution where he now lives–
- 4. Answer was drafted as a militia man. Thomas Eaton General was at the battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] that after battle of Guilford he served twelve months under Capt. & afterwards Maj'r. Pink Eaton that they marched & served as heretofore stated in former declaration.
- 5. answer was under command of Gen. Green after the death of Capt. Eaton served under Capt. William Lightle also knew Maj'r. Thomas Donaho of the regular service.
- 6. answer If he ever received a discharge is now lost & he cannot at this time give any account of it recollects being discharged after battle of Eutaw Springs [in South Carolina, 8 Sep 1781] at Bacon Bridge about forty miles from Charleston [near Old Dorchester on Ashley River] had served full twelve

months before discharged – Entered the service in 1781. & left service in 1782

7. answer – That he lives in the neighbourhood of William Roles esq – that he is also known to John Dunn – John Wall & others – as hereafter appears –