Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Baker S8047 Transcribed by Will Graves

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North Carolina, Cumberland County: Court of Pleas and Order Sessions September Term 1832

Personally appeared before the Court aforesaid now sitting, in open Court, John Baker a resident of (now Moore County) aged about 72 years and after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the declaration as follows in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That sometime in the year 1781 being then a resident of Cumberland County he joined the Troop of horse under Captain Neill McCranie [Neil McCrany], Philemon Hodges, Lieutenant and Thomas Armstrong, Colonel. That he served the most of his time at Cross Creek, guarding the Magazine, and suppressing the Tories – that he was frequently engaged through the County in collecting arms and such other duty as was required of the light horse – that he met on more than one occasion, John Cameron, who has petitioned the Department, and who was stationed at one Dowd's, and who is also a member of McCranie's Troop. That Cameron['s] affidavit is hereunto affixed in proof of his service in that he served six months. That he was in no engagement nor was never wounded.

That he was born in Cumberland County in the year 1760

That he has not now, any record of his age only speaks from memory

He was a volunteer

He knew besides his on officers Captain King – Gen.[?] Buie, and General Butler [probably John Butler] & General Ramsey & General Wayne [Anthony Wayne]

He received a discharge, which his children have lately seen, but which cannot now be found – signed by Armstrong – Colonel & Captain McCranie

He has no documentary evidence to prove his service

That the Reverend Allen McDugald, and Richard Huckabe Esq., can testify as to his character for truth and as to the report in the neighborhood that he served in the Revolutionary War.

He hereby releases all claim to every pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sohn Baker Sohn Baker

Sworn to and subscribed the year and date aforesaid

S/ D. McDiarmid, Clk

Personally appeared before the Court aforesaid John Cameron and after being duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath say that he sold John Baker attached to Captain McCranie's Company and served with him as he states, and that he believes said Baker served three months (3 mos).

¹ John Cameron W1711

Sworn to and subscribed the year and day aforesaid.

S/ John Cameron

John Campson

S/ D. McDiarmid, Clk

[Allen McDugald, a minister of the Gospel, and Richard Huckabee gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private in the North Carolina State Troops.]