

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Hugh Currey S8267

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State of North Carolina, County of Orange: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions February Term
A.D. 1836

On this the 26 day of February 1836, personally appeared, Hugh Currey, in open Court, before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting, aged Seventy two years, who 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 June 7th 1832.

That he entered the United States Service under the following named officers, and Served as herein stated.

1st Tour: a three months ~~tour~~ one

On or about the first day of June 1780, this declarant was drafted (a private) in the United States Service, in a Company of Militia, of which George Oldham, was Captain Robert Parks, Lieutenant & rendezvoused at Hillsboro in Orange aforesaid. Stephen Moore, Colonel -- marched South, passed through Chatham Court House, crossed Deep River at Ramsey's Mill, Joined General Caswell after first crossing Cape Fear River at Cambleton [sic, Campbell Town?] Then marched up the River & crossed at Sprouls' thence to Drowning Creek -- Crossed Pee Dee [Pee Dee River] near Cheraw -- thence to Rugeley's Mill -- we were about this time joined by regulars & over militia, all now under Command of General Gates [Horatio Gates], was in the battle at Camden [August 15-16, 1780] in the month of August following, after the defeat, we retreated into North Carolina, I was under Lieutenant Parks -- and in a few days after reaching Caswell Court House, my three months expired & I received a discharge therefore & returned home.

2 Tour, a three months one also.

On or about the 15th day of May 1781, this Declarant was a Second time drafted in the Service of the United States (private) for a tour of three months -- our draft was with the view of aiding the southern Army under General Greene [Nathanael Greene], the Company I was attached to was under the Command of Captain Adam Sanders, Murphey [Archibald Murphy] he thinks was Colonel -- rendezvoused at Caswell old Court House, marched to Salisbury in North Carolina, at which place at that time, there was a good deal of public property, and our tour being now more than half expired and General Greene having gone to Santee Hills, this declarant with other Troops were employed in guarding the public property in Salisbury till the expiration of the three months tour for which they were drafted, were then marched to Caswell old Court House and were regularly discharged. Having served the United States in the capacity of private six months.

That he was living in Caswell County North Carolina when called into Service.
That he has a record of his age, at home, from which he learns that he was born on the 24th day of May 1763.

That since the Revolutionary war he has lived in Caswell and Orange --

That he now lives in Orange County

That when called in the Service was drafted.

That Colonel Moore, Colonel Dixon [Henry "Hal" Dixon], Major Donoho [Thomas Donoho], Major Nalls, Generals Caswell [Richard Caswell], Butler [John Butler], General Gates & others were with the troops while he was in the Service.

That he has received discharges from the Service. That he received a discharge for his first tour from Colonel Moore and for his Second tour from Captain Adam Sanders.

That he is known in his neighborhood to George W. Ferrill, Clergyman, and to John Brown and James Crossett, whose affidavit is hereto annexed.

His first tour, this Declarant proves by Thomas Steel¹ of Chatham County -- but as to his Second Tour, he knows of no person now living that Served with him.

The reason that he never applied sooner for a pension, was, that he did not know until recently that there was any person living that served with him.

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

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ J. Taylor, CC

S/ Hugh Currey, X his mark

State of North Carolina Chatham County

On this the 29th day of September A.D. 1835, personally appeared before the undersigned, an acting Justice of the peace in & for the County aforesaid, Thomas Steel, a resident citizen of said County ^(78 years old) who being first duly sworn, deposeth & saith, that in the Summer of 1780, he served a three months Tour in the Militia Captain Jo. Johnson's Company -- and was in Gates defeat near Camden in August 1780, and while in this Tour this deponent well remembers, that Hugh Currey of Orange County, was a three months man and served with us and all of said Tour, and this affiant further saith, that he has always understood that said Hugh Currey aforesaid, is a man of truth & veracity & served in the War of the Revolution.

Sworn & subscribed the day & date above written, before me.

S/ John J. Mann, JP

S/ T. Steel



[George W. Ferrill, a clergyman, John Brown & James Crossett gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ [Thomas Steel S7603](#)