Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Cutts S8274
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State of North Carolina Cumberland County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions September Court 1832

On this third day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court the court aforesaid now sitting William Cutts Senior a resident of said County & State aged seventy-nine 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 service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein set forth. He first entered the service in the County of Cumberland State aforesaid and Captain Simon Hadley's Company of militia attached to Colonel Thomas M[balance of name covered by an ink blot] Regiment of Militia that the Regiment rendezvoused at the mouth of Rockfish Creek seven miles below Cross Creek now Fayetteville marched thence to the town of Wilmington in this State by Elizabethtown in Bladen County from Wilmington they marched through Brunswick County to the South Carolina line crossing that to Georgetown South Carolina thence to the City of Charleston where he was stationed, during the siege of that city where he remained until he was discharged at that City. This was for a tour of four months which he was in service - he volunteered into the service in this tour this he believes was in the year 1780. This was in the spring of the year. He returned home the last of April of that year and again entered the service in the County aforesaid as a volunteer in Captain Israel Falsome [Israel Folsom] whose company was attached to Colonel Philip Alston's Regiment from Cumberland marched South crossing Drowning Creek at Alford's ferry from whence went up the country recrossing the above Creek at Coles Bridge thence into Moore County to Deep River descending said River by the Iron Works near Colonel Alston's House – whence we fell in with a party of Tories commanded by Colonel Fanning [David Fanning] when after a severe fight the enemy beat us & took us Prisoners and when we were paroled & we returned home this service was a tour of four months the battle happened but two days before our tour of service expired.

I was born in the County of Johnston North Carolina first day of January 1753.

I have no record of my age at this time having lost the Book containing it.

I was living in the County of Cumberland when I entered the service and have continued to reside there ever since except when in the service I now reside there. Him and

I was a volunteer.

I recollect that General Lincoln commanded the American Troops at Charleston.

I received discharges from both my captains but have lost them.

I would refer to Alexander McLeod, Richard Huckabee & John A. Brown Esquires, party Blalock & others I could name as to my character for veracity and as to the reputation of my being a Revolutionary Soldier.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the Pension Roll of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed this day and year aforesaid.

Test: S/ D McDiamid, Clk S/ William Cutts, X his mark [Alexander McLeod & Richard Huckabee gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Cumberland County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County William Cutts who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise period of the War when his two tours of service was performed but according to the best of his recollection both tours of service as set forth in his declaration were performed in the year 1780. And he further swears that he does not know of any surviving Comrade in either of the said tours whose testimony he can procure to prove his services they being all dead so far as this affiant knows.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 3rd of June 1833

S/A. McLeod, JP

S/ William Cutts, Senior, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26 and 66 commencing March 4th, 1831, for eight months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]