Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Myrick S9437 Transcribed by Will Graves f24NC

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State of North Carolina Chatham County S.S.

On this the 15th day of May 1834 personally appeared before the undersigned John J. Mann an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County of Chatham aforesaid at his residence, Moses Myrick, a resident Citizen of the aforesaid County now in the 78th year of his age, who being first duly qualified maketh oath 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 stated.

Ist Tour This applicant entered the Service of the United States as a volunteer, private, on the 1st day of April 1776 in a company of militia commanded by Captain Denton [James Denton] – John Mekins was Lieutenant -- we rendezvoused at Bute old Court House (now Warren). At the same time a company of volunteer militia under command of Captain Benjamin Seawell rendezvoused with us -- we were all under the Command of Major Hogan [sic, James Hogun] & Colonel Gey [Lt. Col. Drury Gee] -- Our object was to guard Wilmington & Brunswick from the invasion of the British -- On our march thither we crossed the Neuse River at Smithfield in Johnston County. Thence directly on to Wilmington, after guarding this Town with other troops about 5 or 6 weeks, we were marched down to Brunswick and while guarding this point, this applicant remembers of seeing some of the British vessels lying at a distance off. Some weeks after being stationed at Brunswick the Enemy's Vessels disappeared & we were marched up to Wilmington where we remained till the middle of August thence were marched to Brunswick—Bute old Court House (now Warren) and received discharges from Colonel Gey on the first day of September 1776 and went home -- having served the United States in this tour five months.

2nd Tour. I volunteered as Light horse man on the 15th day of September 1781 in the company of Dragoons commanded by Captain Jacob Duck [Jacob Duckworth], one Poe was Lieutenant -- we rendezvoused at the residence of Major Nall [John Nall], who had been recently fallen in the Battle of at Lindley's Mills [September 13, 1781], on Cain Creek [Cane Creek] -- we now volunteered for a 3 months tour; our object was to suppress the Tories who were very troublesome, especially South of this -- We traversed Moore County, Randolph and marched as far south as Drowning Creek after remaining at that section of the Country 4 or 5 weeks perhaps, we were marched back to Chatham to Colonel Luttrell's [John Luttrell's] Barracks in this (Chatham) County, when our 3 months tour expired being on the 15th day of December 1781.

We here received discharges for the tour from Captain Duck and returned home having served the United States in all as volunteer just 8 months.

This applicant further states both his discharges have been lost many years.

That he knows of no one living who served in the Army with him.

That he was born in the County of Warren (then Bute) in this State.

That he has a record of age with his family.

That he was living in Warren County (then Bute) when called into service.

And in the year 1777 moved into this (Chatham) County where he at present resides and has ever since 1777.

That when called into the service of the United States he volunteered.

The names of the officers, with whom he was acquainted in the war were Major Hogun, Colonel Gey, General Butler [John Butler], Colonel Washington [William Washington] & Colonel Mebane [Robert Mebane] &c.

That he received discharges for both his tours but they are now lost.

That he is known in his neighborhood to Nathaniel Brower, Thomas Ray, Charles Lutterlow, Esquire & John J. Mann Esquire -- And this applicant further states, that in the 2 tours above specified, they were both legally organized corps, and called into service by competent authority. 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. & that he is too infirm to attend Court -- And that there is no clergyman living near to him --

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Test S/ John J. Mann, JP

S/ Moses Myrick

Moses Myrick

[Thomas Ray & Nathaniel Brewer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Supplementary evidence

State of North Carolina Orange County

I do hereby certify that in the war of the Revolution I served the United States in the militia -- and I further certify that one of the tours I served, was a 5 months Tour, to wit, the one I was under General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] in 1778 & 79 (and now am pensioner). Others, I know also, served 5 months Tours in said War of the Revolution. -- 29th of July 1834 Test: S/J. Holt, JP

James Turner Turner

State of North Carolina Orange County: SS

This day personally appeared before me James A Craig, an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County, Samuel Nelson Senior of Orange aforesaid (a United States pensioner) who

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¹ James Turner W11573

being duly qualified maketh oath, that in 1778 '9 – he served a Five months tour in a Southern Campaign under General Rutherford. Others I know of served also in this 5 months tour now living.

Sworn and subscribed this 11th August 1834.

S/ Saml. Nelson²

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State of North Carolina Moore County:

This day personally appeared before me one of the acting Justices of the County of Moore -- Francis Myrick³ -- now in the seventy seventh year of his age -- a resident of Moore aforesaid -- who being first duly qualified, maketh oath, that during the war of the Revolution, he was acquainted of the services of Moses Myrick, as follows -- That he perfectly recollects the said Moses Myrick did start on a Tour to Wilmington under the command of Captain Denton & Lieutenant Mekins, both of whom he knew as officers. That Moses Myrick was gone for 6 months from home -- that when he returned -- (he Francis) heard said Moses speaking of and telling the incidents relative to his Tour to Wilmington --

Further the witness deposeth not -- Sworn to & Subscribed before me this 24th day of June 1834-

Witness

S/S. C. Bruce, JP

S/ Francis Myrick

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State of North Carolina Moore County:

This day personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice for the aforesaid County of Moore James Harden⁴ now in the seventy-eight year of his age a resident citizen of Moore aforesaid, who first being duly qualified maketh oath that during the War of the revolution he was acquainted with Moses Myrick of Chatham County NC. That he recollects seeing the said Moses Myrick in the Camp of Colonel Luttrell at Luttrell's barracks a soldier and a short time after saw the said Moses Myrick again in the service in Chatham County under the command of Captain Duck, further the witness deposeth not.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this the 25th day of June A.D. 1834 S/ Daniel McNeill, JP

S/ James Harden

Samuel Nelson S8916

³ Francis Myrick R7547

⁴ James Harden (Hardin) R4592

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State of North Carolina Orange County

On this the 11th day of August 1834, personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of Orange aforesaid Moses Myrick (at the Dwelling house of Peter Perry., being near to the residence of said Myrick) who being first duly qualified maketh oath that the affidavits supplementary hereto are genuine -- And this affiant, begs leave here to state that his first tour from April 1776 -- was, upon further inquiry and reflection, a six instead of a five months tour: -- And in proof of this produces the affidavit of Francis Myrick of Moore County, taken in due form and This affiant, further saith upon his oath that he served the United States 9 months in the said War of the Revolution to the now best of his belief -- and he further saith upon his oath, that when he made his Declaration in May, he was under the impression in some degree, that the said Tour in question was a 6 instead of a 5 months tour, but thinking it best to be on the safer side, put down the tour as a 5 months one -- but from the best information he can now procure, he feels satisfied that he did not get home till the first of following, to wit, 1776, making it a 6 months tour.

Sworn and subscribed the day and date above written.

S/ James A. Craig, JP

S/ Moses Myrick

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.83 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the North Carolina service.]