## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Murrill (Murrell) <sup>1</sup> W10219 Nancy Murrill f75NC Transcribed by Will Graves 6/4/09: rev'd 10/12/17

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State of North Carolina Davidson County

On this 6th day of April personally appeared before me Jacob Brummell a Justice of the Peace in and for said County George Murrell a resident in the County of Davidson State of North Carolina aged Seventy-Six 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 stated.

The Claimant states that while residing in North Hampton County [Northampton County] NC the place of his nativity he was drafted, he thinks to the best of his recollection in the year 1778. The troops assembled at Halifax Court House in Halifax County and was put under the command of the following officers Captain Henry Burr [Henry Burns] Joel Serred [Joel Sherrod] Lieut. Barn Binet [Barn Bennett] Ensign Brickle [William Brickell] Lieutenant Colonel Benjamin Sewel [Benjamin Seawell] Colonel Commandant from Halifax they marched to Lewisburg in Franklin County NC from thence through the Western part of NC to Salisbury from Salisbury to Charlotte in Mecklenburg County NC from thence to the six mile Creek not far from said Creek the dragoons were engaged in a skirmish with the enemy they retreated from the six mile [creek] back through Charlotte and Salisbury on to the East side of the Yadkin River where they were stationed a short time they soon recrossed the Yadkin and returned to Salisbury where they were stationed until he received his discharge which was given him by Colonel Seawell in the month of November of the year recollect but he thinks it was 1778 during this campaign he served 3 months and has lost his discharge.

The Claimant further states that he was drafted again in the year 1781 then residing in the County and State aforesaid they again met at Halifax Court House in NC and was put under the command of Captain Sherrod, Barn Bennett Lieutenant & Major Hog [Thomas Hogg] whom he thinks was the highest in command. From Halifax they marched to Smithfield on the Neuse River where they remained a few days from thence they marched to the Cape Fear River which they crossed and marched to Fayetteville in Cumberland County NC where they were stationed a short time from there they recrossed the Cape Fear and marched down the same to the neighborhood of Wilmington where they were stationed until they were discharged he states that he did not receive a discharge (ie) written one. The Claimant states that he was discharged in the

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month of October 1781 and served 3 months he states that he did not know any regular officers that there were her name that he recollects with the troops where he served he states that he was born in the year 1759 and that he has a record of his age at his residence he states that he is known to Valentine Harman, Risdon Charles, John Beckendite, Daniel Matsinzer, Benjamin Ferebee & Christian Hanes who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution he states he has manner evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

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

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me

S/ J. Brummell, JP

S/George Murrell

George Murrell

[Buckner Daniel and Risdon Charles gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 6: On December 1, 1856, in Greene County Missouri, Nancy Murrell, 65, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of George Murrell, a pensioner at the rate of \$20 per annum; that she married him in Rowan County North Carolina on September 1, 1809; that her name prior to her marriage to George Murrell was Nancy Morris; that her husband died in Davidson County North Carolina April 4, 1841; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark. Her application is attested by George Murrell and Emily Murrell (relationship, if any, on stated)

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