Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Battin W4413 Mary Battin MD Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

Eastern DISTRICT OF Pennsylvania, ss.

On this third day of December 1819, before me, the subscribe, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the said district, personally appeared John Battin aged seventy-two years, resident in the county of Philadelphia in the said district, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he, the said John Battin enlisted for the term of three years or during the war on the — day of — in the year 1777 in Hartford [sic: Harford] County in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Carlisle or capt. Gilbert of the Regiment commanded by Colonel [Moses] Hazen one of the sixteen additional regiments on the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, until after the surrender of Cornwallis [at Yorktown VA, 19 Oct 1781], when he was discharged from service near Yorktown state of Virginia, that he was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Stony Point [16 Jul 1779] and other battles and engagements, and was wounded on Staten Island [15 Jan 1780] under Lord Sterling [sic: William Alexander, Lord Stirling] and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. John hisXmark Battin

Col. Allen McLane, having been sworn, says that he was a captain in one of the sixteen additional regiments ordered for continental service by congress during the revolutionary war; that John Battin was a soldier in one, of the said sixteen regiments commanded by col. Hazen, and that the facts stated in the deposition of the said John Battin are, as this deponent believes, true.

Sworn 3 Dec'r. 1819

NOTE: On 28 July 1838 Mary Battin, about 70, applied for a pension stating that she was married by Frederick Schmidt, Pastor of the German Lutheran Congregation of Philadelphia, on 26 July 1787 to John Battin, who had been wounded in the shin at the battle of Staten Island, and who died on 28 Oct 1820. The file contains a certificate of the marriage of John Battin of Philadelphia to Mary Steinbecker of the Northern Liberties. On 18 March 1843 Mary Battin was said to be 76, and on 7 Oct 1848 she was said to be 78.