Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Rector W983 Nancy fn65NC
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State of North Carolina Iredell County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions November Term 1832

On this 20th day of November personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record now sitting Benjamin Rector a resident of Iredell County State of North Carolina aged 71 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 stated

That he entered as a substitute for his father John Rector in Surry County under Captain Jacob Camplin and joined the Corps under Colonel McDowell at the Indian Lands in South Carolina and marched through South Carolina and Georgia to the neighborhood of Augusta. General Butler commanded the division and there joined the Regular Army under General Lincoln after marching for some time they were stationed for headquarters at the head of Stono and he was at the Battle of Stono, returned to headquarters was discharged and returned home having served 3 months. Afterwards he was drafted for 3 months under Captain Woolridge and joined Colonel Williams in Salisbury & marched towards Charlotte, and thence to Surry, at Richmond had an engagement & was defeated by the Tories, collected again at Bethany one of the Moravian Towns and was appointed to guard the Tories taken at Kings Mountain and was there discharged. He was born in Culpeper County Virginia in the year 1761 has no record of his age, was living in Surry County at the time he entered the service and has lived for about 47 years in Iredell County. He received discharges for both tours, has lost them he refers to Alexander McKee & Philip Drumm --

He has no documentary evidence & knows of no person whose testimony he can now procure who can testify to his service.

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 to and subscribed the day and year above

S/ A. Simonton S/ Benjamin Rector, X his mark [Alexander McKee and Philip Drum gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 8: On March 24, 1853, in Alexander County North Carolina, Nancy Rector, 70, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Benjamin Rector, a pensioner at the rate of \$20 per annum for his services in the revolution; that she married him October 9, 1806 in Iredell County North Carolina; that her name prior to her marriage was

Nancy Finley ¹ ; that her husband died February the 11 1849 and that she remains his widow.]
Her name is spelled variously throughout the file as Nancy Fenly, Nancy Fenley, Nancy Fendley or Nancy Finley.