

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Stephens R10116

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State of Missouri County of Daviess: SS

On this 2nd day of June personally appeared in open Court, before the County Court of the County of Daviess aforesaid now sitting, Moses Stephens, a resident of the County of Daviess aforesaid aged about eighty-eight 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated; to wit:

Entered the service at Salisbury in this State of North Carolina on or about the ___ day of (in the fall season) 1780 in the company commanded by Captain Humphreys – and Regiment commanded by Colonel Philips, as a substitute – for a private soldier, named Barney Demsey. That at the time he entered the service as a private as aforesaid, he resided near the Moravian Town in the County of Surrey [Surry] – and State of North Carolina. That he marched whilst in the service, from Salisbury aforesaid to the River Roanoke (the line dividing the States of North Carolina and Virginia) by way of Hillsboro in North Carolina. That on said march he assisted in guarding prisoners taken by the Americans at the battle of "Kings Mountain" whether the above company commanded by Captain Humphries belonged to the Regular troops, the State Troops, Militia or Volunteers he does not recollect. That he was honorably discharged on the River Roanoke aforesaid on or about the ___ day of February 1781, having been in actual service for the term for which he entered said service, and that his said discharge was in writing and that he lost the same many years ago, but cannot state particularly how or where he lost said discharge, That he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service and that he is not acquainted with any Clergyman in this County and that while he was in the service of the United States as above stated, he was not employed in any Several Pursuit.

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.

S/Moses Stephens, X his mark

[Moses Stephens, Jr and Jeremiah Campbell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 8: in a supplemental affidavit the veteran stated that he served as a private for 3 months and some days. Because he did not claim service for at least 6 months, the minimum time required for a pension, he did not qualify for a pension.]