

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Sumrall R10310

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State of Mississippi County of Clark: SS

On this 14th day of September in the year of our Lord 1843, Personally appeared in open court – before the court of Probate now sitting, Moses Sumrall Senior a resident of the County of Clark – in the County of Clark and State of Mississippi aforesaid aged eighty-two 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 under Colonel Thomas Wade and Captain Leget in the State of North Carolina Anson County. That he entered the service as a volunteer. The precise day month and year he does not recollect at this late period of time, nor the precise length of time he served, from old age and the consequent loss of memory But it was during the continuance of the revolutionary war of the United States with Great-Britain – but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grade. For six months I served as a common soldier and for such service I claim a pension. I entered the service as a volunteer and was marched about in different places in North Carolina, a portion of the time in pursuit of the Tories, a part of the time the company I was with were at Wadesboro in North Carolina and he further states that he has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no Person now living 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 aforesaid.

S/ Moses Sumrall, Sr.



[W. P. Carter, a clergyman and William B Trotter gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The State of Mississippi Clark County

Interrogatories and answers of Moses Sumrall Senior an applicant for a pension In open Court

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in the State of South Carolina on the 25th day of August in the year of our Lord 1761 as I was told by my parents.

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans. I have a record of my age at my house in this County which I have kept for many years.

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans. I was living in North Carolina in Anson County when called into service. I got married after the war, and lived in North Carolina until I was 30 years old and I'm moved from North Carolina to South Carolina, Chesterfield district and remained there some 12 or 14 years, and from thence I removed to Mississippi at the time it was a territory and settled in Wayne County and I now live in the County of Clark of the State of Mississippi on Chickasaw hay river.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans. I was a volunteer. I was drafted one and got a substitute to go in my place but afterwards I volunteered when times got pretty hot.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans. I do not recollect all the officers but our Colonel was Colonel Wade my Captain was Captain Leggit and I remember one Captain Fair and one Captain Hunter who commanded companies in the Army where I belonged. I rather think they were militia officers. I do not recollect now any officers names that belong to the regulars we were principally engaged in keeping the Tories in awe and marching in search of them.

I hereby certify that the foregoing contains the Interrogatories and answers of Moses Sumrall Senior – an applicant for a pension, as propounded by me first and answered by him in open court given under my hand this the 14th day of September A.D. 1843

S/ Thos. J. Johnston, Judge