

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Tedderton R10441

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State of Alabama, Clark County

On 6th this day of November 1832, personally appeared in open Court before Samuel Wilkinson Judge of the County Court of Clark County now sitting – John Tedderton, a resident of Clark County and State of Alabama, aged about seventy-five 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 7th June 1832. That he volunteered or enlisted in the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated Viz.: He enlisted in the service of the United States under one Captain Armon or Harmon, Herrin [sic, probably Armwell Herron], he does not recollect the year nor date correctly, but believes it was then date of 1777, and in the summer season of that year and that he served in the 10th North Carolina Regiment and was commanded by Colonel Armstrong, Major Eaton [Pinketham Eaton] and Lieutenant Reuben Rountree [sic, Reuben Raintree]; and that he enlisted and served for the period of three years, and was regularly discharged and as he believes in the summer of 1780, and that he resided at a time of his enlistment in the Town of Kingston [sic, Kinston] Dobbs County (now Lenoir) North Carolina, and that he rendezvoused at Kinston and in a short time marched to South Carolina, through Elizabeth Town, and crossed Pedee River at the Long Bluff and stopped on the Savannah River, where they remained a considerable time, from thence they marched to Georgetown, thence to Charleston and was in the battle, at Rogallie [sic ?]; and in the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779]. General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], Commanding generally. After the first nine months Colonel Armstrong and Major Eaton left the troops, that he was with. This deponent further states, that he was not long under the command of Captain Herron but was placed under the command of Captain Phillip Taylor.

This deponent further saith, that although he enlisted for three years in the 10th Regiment of the North Carolina troops, yet he was often with the Militia, and commanded by militia officers, both captains and field officers were frequently changed; and that he had been marched much through South Carolina in various directions and to various places; and that he received his discharge at Camden South Carolina, and what officer signed it he does not now recollect, and that he is an unlearned man and unable to read or write – This deponent further saith, that he served three months in the service of the United States (previous to his enlistment for three years) and that he rendezvoused at Wilmington North Carolina, and was there discharged by Captain Joseph Green commonly called Jo Green who at that time lived on Neuse River North Carolina and that he was commanded by Captain Jo Green the whole time of these three months, but by whom his discharge was given or signed he does not know, as he was unable to read or write. That William Daniel was his Lieutenant and General Caswell [Richard Caswell] commanded the Regiment the names of the Colonel and Major he does not recollect. This deponent further saith, That he was in the service of the United States service, after he served his

regular Tour of three years. That about six months after he had served the three years, he went a volunteer under Captain Joseph Swift, Colonel Spuill [Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Spruill] & General Caswell; the other officers not recollected. That he rendezvoused at Kinston Dobbs County (now Lenoir) and was marched to Georgetown, South Carolina, from thence to Camden, from thence to the Cross Creek (now Fayetteville) North Carolina and there received his discharge from General Caswell. This deponent further saith, that he lost the whole of his discharges that he was unable to read or write, and that he considered his discharges to be of no benefit; and that he has no documentary evidence of his service, and he does not know of any person whose testimony, he can procure that can testify fully to his services. And that he hereby relinquishes every claim, whatsoever 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.

The following Questions were propounded to the Applicant

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans: I was born near the mouth of Roanoke River North Carolina opposite the town of Edenton. I do not know my age nor the year that I was born in.

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

Ans: I have none.

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 in Dobbs County (now Lenoir) North Carolina near Kinston. After the war I moved to Duplin County, then to Robertson County, then to the State of Georgia Washington County, thence Wilkes County, in which State lived 20 years or more from Georgia I moved to the war State of Alabama Clark County where I now live.

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 once enlisted for three years as heretofore stated, and I was twice a volunteer for three months, each time as before stated.

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: Captain Phillip Taylor was said to be a regular officer and also General Lincon [sic, Benjamin Lincoln]; I am unable to state the numbers of any Regiment except the one I was in which I have named in my declaration, nor can I give any more general circumstance of my service, than what I have already named.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans: I received a discharge from my first three months tour to Wilmington from my Captain Joseph Green, as stated in my declaration, I do not recollect who gave me my discharge, when I served my regular tour of three years – but I well recollect to have received it at Camden South Carolina – and as for my last three months Tour as stated in my declaration I received a discharge at Cross Creek from General Caswell.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans: Hezekiah Bussey and James Savage
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Tedderton, X his mark

[Hezekiah Bussey, a clergyman, and James Savage Dave the standard supporting affidavit