

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Peter Tramel (Trammel, Trammell) R10674

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State of Georgia, Lincoln County

On this 23rd day of October 1832, personally appeared in open Court before William H. Crawford Judge of the Superior Court now sitting Peter Trammel Senior, a resident of Lincoln County & said State aged Seventy five years the 13th day of this Instant, 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; Some time in the year 1775 or '76, deponent can't recollect which he volunteered in Captain Benjamin Few's Company on an eighteen months tour at Hillsborough in the State of North Carolina near to which he was born & raised, and was commanded at the time by General McIntosh who marched them immediately to Georgia, he furnished his own horse and lost during that servitude two horses, he served the eighteen months, and was discharged at Beard's Bluff, during that servitude he was at the building of a Fort on Ogeechee [River], and at various times on scouting parties against the Indians at one time pursuing in the direction of Florida and were prevented by the difficulties of the Swamps from the pursuit, and at that time lost one of his horses. After he is discharge deponent returned to North Carolina and remained he thinks eight or ten months, and returned again to Georgia, and at the House of Col Chandler in that section of Country now Columbia County he enlisted as well as he recollects in Captain Forsyth's company under the immediate command of General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] for five years, and marched immediately to Savannah. During the enlistment he drove a Baggage Wagon three years, was twice at Sieges of Augusta, was occasionally stationed at various times & places, but in no general engagement and the times, he was stationed at different times at Purrysburg, Beard's Bluff, at the Sisters' ferry, when not on a tour for immediate supplies or to aid in express command on scouting parties; was regularly discharged at the end of his servitude, soon after which he volunteered in the militia service in deponent's brother's Dennis Trammel's Company and directly was compelled to retreat over the mountains with Col. Elijah Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] from the British & Tories whose force to was too great to meet by so feeble a Band, and was directly after marched to King's Mountain & fought through that battle having a Brother wounded in the engagement and was one of the soldiers [who] attended the prisoners to Cain [sic, Cane] Creek and returned again to South Carolina to the Battle at the Cowpens with Tarlton [sic, Banastre Tarleton]: was in that engagement and shortly after was in the engagement at Hogskin's Mills with Dunlap and continued during the emergencies and trials in Georgia and South Carolina so long as to his services was required it being more safe in service than at home and at the various engagements and duties his brother's Company in which he belonged was commanded by Col Clarke, Col Brannon [sic, Thomas Brandon], Col Fair [sic, William Farr] and Col Campbell [William Campbell].

Deponent further swears that he has no documentary Evidence by which he can prove his Service, nor does he know of any living Soldier by whom he can prove the same, his last account's

from his brother Dennis Trammel¹ he was alive living in the Western Country but it is many years since and he does not know that he is living, that he deponent is a very poor man, has lost his discharges and not capable of keeping account or remembering dates satisfactorily and consequently was advised to leave out the dates for want of certainty.

Deponent further swears he never has been pensioned by the Government and hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present.

Sworn to Subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Petr tramel [sic]

S/ Peter Lamar, Clk

[John H. Walker, a clergyman, and William Quinn gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Georgia Lincoln County: Personally appeared before me Elijah Frazer a Justice of the peace in & for the County and State aforesaid Sarah Trammel a resident of Lincoln County and State aforesaid, who being afflicted and confined, that she will not be enabled to appear at Court, on Monday next, And being by me duly sworn deposeth and saith, that she became acquainted with Peter Trammel who is an applicant to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832 during the American Revolution, in North Carolina deponent now thinks in Rutherford County, and from that period to the present time has been the most of the time intimately acquainted, often living near neighbors, the husband of deponent, who is now dead, was the brother of said Peter Trammel, deponent further states that the said Peter was a reputed Soldier of the Revolution. She never saw him whilst in service, but every other reason to believe he served his Country, his starting to do so & that with her deceased husband, who also did serve in the American Revolution, deponent, often hearing her husband, the said Peter and divers others speak of their trials, and services in the Army whilst therein that she verily believes he did serve as set forth. She further swears, that he is, over 70 years of age, deponent being 70 herself and the said Peter being considerably over the age of deponent, deponent further states that with his early acquaintances he was reputed & known to be a Revolutionary soldier.

Sworn to 18th October 1832 before me

S/ Elijah Frazer, JP

S/ Sarah Trammel, X her mark

State of Georgia Lincoln County: In the Court of Ordinary of said County 2nd October 1833 Personally came into open Court being the Court of Ordinary of said County of Lincoln and State of Georgia Peter Trammel an applicant for a pension under the act of the 7th of June 1832 who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise time he served in the Revolutionary War or the different tours according to the best of his recollection he has set forth he served 18 months and Captain Few's Company & furnished his own horse, and the second campaign he served 5 years in General Lincoln's Army as recited before as well as many others scalps and on scouting parties not named having this stated 6 years & 6 months 7 or to do, and for which he claims a pension under the said act.

Sworn to 2nd September 1833 in open Court

S/ Micajah Henley, Clk

S/ Peter Trammel, X his mark

[fn p. 12: in a power of attorney dated June 20, 1857 and filed in Lincoln County Georgia, Peter Trammel of said County states that he and his brother Thomas are the only surviving children and heirs at law of Peter Trammel, deceased, a revolutionary war soldier; day of point Thomas Lumpkin of Washington City as their attorney to pursue their claim.]

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1 Dennis Trammel was not only still living, he filed his own claim for pension. See [Dennis Trammel R10672](#)

State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do certify that the name of Peter Trammel is not to be found on the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, or in any other document containing evidence of service in said line.

Given under my hand this 25th day of October 1833

S/ Wm Hill