

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ezekiel Trogdon R10707

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State of Tennessee, Jefferson County} SS

On this 10th day of June A.D. 1834, personally appeared in Open Court, before the Justices of our Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, now in Session Ezekiel Trogdon, a resident of Grainger County Tennessee aged eighty 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.

In the year 1779 as well as he recollects – the day and month not recollected he volunteered, and entered the Service of the Country in Randolph County in the State of North Carolina, was enrolled in Captain Dugan's [Thomas Dougan's] company, commanded by Major Sharp and Colonel Litterel [sic, John Luttrell] rendezvoused at the house of Major Sharp, from thence he was marched to the Sand Hills, near Fayetteville in North Carolina, had several skirmishes with the Tories, and remaining near Fayetteville N. C. for some time – he was marched back to a Mr. Bell's where he was Stationed for some time, from thence to Major Sharp's, thence to Fayetteville N. C. or near to it, thence to the Sand hills, thence back to Major Sharp's where he was discharged – having been in the Service six months – received a discharge which he has lost.

And afterwards, to wit the day month and year not recollected he volunteered, and entered the Service of his Country in a Company of Cavalry in Captain Day's Company – was commanded by Major Sharp and Colonel Dugan [probably Lieutenant Colonel James Dougan], was enrolled in entered the Service at the house of Major Sharp, from thence he was marched to the Raft Swamps – where after a careful examination after the Tories – and routing – and driving them – they marched back to Major Sharp's, where he was stationed for some time – from thence he was marched to the Sand hills, where he was stationed several weeks, and was in several skirmishes with the Tories, thence he was marched back to Major Sharp's where he was discharged (States from the time he entered the Service until he was discharged it was six months[)] received a discharge which he has lost --

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 & subscribed in open Court – the day and date above written.

S/ Joseph Hamilton, Jr., Clk

S/ Ezekiel Trogdon, X his mark

The following interrogatories were propounded to the applicant by the court

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer – I was born in Randolph County in the State of North Carolina in the year 1754

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

Answer – I have no record of my age.

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

Answer – When called into Service I was living in Randolph County North Carolina and after the Revolutionary War was over, I removed to Jackson County Tennessee thence to Grainger County Tennessee where I now live, near the line between said counties.

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

Answer – I was a volunteer, both tours of duty

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.

Answer – In my first Service – Captain Dugan Major Sharp and Colonel Luttrell – My Second – Captain Day Major Sharp and Colonel Dugan, does not recollect anything about regiments, believes there were none

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

Answer – I did receive two discharges signed by Major Sharp which I have lost,

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.

Answer – As to my character I shall all for the Reverend Millikan, Obed Chase & Jos. Dyer and as to my Services as a Soldier of the Revolution, I offer John Hasket¹ and William Frazier citizens of Jefferson County to prove my services by,

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court the day and date above written.

S/ Joseph Hamilton, Jr. Clerk

S/ Ezekiel Trogdon, X his mark

[Elihu Millikan, a clergyman, Obed Chase & Joseph Dryer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

John Hasket a reputable witness aged eighty-one years personally appeared in open Court and made Oath that he is well acquainted with Ezekiel Trogdon who hath subscribed and Sworn to the above declaration, was with him a companion in arms in the Revolutionary War, during both tours of duty as described in his declaration, that the facts therein stated is true.

Kept subscribed & sworn to in open court the date above.

S/ Joseph Hamilton, Jr. Clerk

S/ John Hasket, X his mark

William Frazier a reputable Witness aged 68 years, personally appeared in open Court, and made Oath, that he is well acquainted with Ezekiel Trogdon who has subscribed & sworn to the above & foregoing declaration, and was also acquainted with him during the Revolutionary War – this affiant was not in the Service himself but was living in the same neighborhood of the applicant in Randolph County North Carolina and from what he knows within his own knowledge, and from what he has understood from others, he believes that the services as stated in the foregoing declaration to be true. The applicant has always supported a good Character, and has always been reputed to have been a soldier of the revolution.

1 [John Hasket S4317](#)

Subscribed & sworn to in open Court, the day & date above written.
S/ Joseph Hamilton Jr., Clerk

S/ William Frazier

State of Tennessee, Jefferson County

This day personally appeared before me William Cox one of the acting Justices of the peace in and for the County of Jefferson Ezekiel Trogdon a citizen of the County of Grainger and who is now in the County of Jefferson who being duly sworn Depoeth and saith that he is Eighty years of age & that he is the identical person named in the annexed declaration dated the 10th day of June 1834 filed for the purpose of procuring a pension under an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 after having heard his declaration read to him he states that the facts therein stated in relation to his services is true that at the time he entered the service it was expressly understood that it was for a tour of six months each and at the time said services was performed the Country was invaded by the British & Tories and the citizens volunteered and raised said companies for the purpose of defending themselves and saving their property from being burnt and destroyed the militia of North Carolina that was called under a draft served only three months and the volunteer companies that this affiant served in was for six months, this declarant rendered other services than those in his declaration mentioned but for the want of his recollection as to the names of the officers under whom he served he declined making an application for the same when he filed his Declaration and further saith not

Sworn to and Subscribed before me the 17th day of November 1834
S/ William Cox, J. P.

S/ Ezekiel Trogdon, X his mark