

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Reuben Turner R10760

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State of Georgia, County of Burke }

On this 20th day of May 1833 personally appeared before the Inferior Court of the County aforesaid when sitting as a Court of Ordinary, Reuben Turner, a resident of said County and State, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832,

That he was drafted, in the year 1776, under Captain Stringer McIllvane [sic, John Stringer McIllwaine] and in the same year entered the Service of the United States as a private, under the Captain aforesaid, for the term of five months. Served under Col. William Carswell [sic, William Caswell], nearly six months in the southern Army, under General Ash [sic, John Ashe] was at the Battle of Briar Creek,¹ when General Ashe was defeated. He was drafted in the County of Dobbs State of North Carolina marched through South Carolina. Served the whole time as a private.

1. He was born in the County of Dobbs, State of North Carolina in the year 1757
2. He has no record of his age,
3. When called into Service he lived in Dobbs County North Carolina, for a short time immediately after the Revolution he resided in Tennessee, but fourth 35 years last past he has resided in the County of Burke and State of Georgia.
4. He was drafted as a private and served about 5 ½ months as a private
5. He knew Colonel Williams, Col. Alston, Captain John King of Colonel Alston's Regiment and served with them under Genera Ashe and General Bryan
6. He received a discharge in Dobbs County North Carolina where he was discharged, in writing, and believes that it was signed by Colonel William Caswell, but from the great length of time and loss of memory he cannot say with certainty, by whom it was signed – it has long since been lost.

I am known to my brother Henry Turner² who resides in the County of Burke, and to Augustine Wilson³ who resides in the County of Washington, and State of Georgia, and that he knew me in the Army and can testify to my Service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

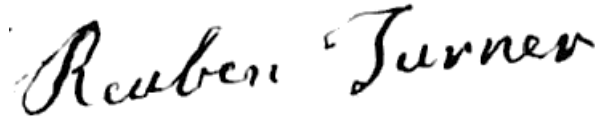
S/ J. G. Baduly, Clk

¹ Briar Creek March 3, 1779 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790304-briar-creek/>

² [Henry Turner R10755](#)

³ [Augustin Wilson S7920](#)

S/ Reuben Turner



[Joseph Polhill & Joshua King, a clergyman, William P. Taylor & Abel Lewis gave these standards supporting affidavit.]

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Henry Turner a resident planter of Burke and State, personally appeared in open Court, and being duly sworn saith that he knows of his own knowledge that Reuben Turner who has subscribed the foregoing declaration, did enter the service of the United States, as a drafted Soldier in the County of Dobbs, State of North Carolina, in the year 1777, as near as this deponent can remember the date, and that said Reuben Turner served about five months and a half under Captain Stringer McIllwaine, and he was in the Army and under General Ashe at the defeat of Ashe that Briar Creek, in Scriven County [Screven County], Georgia, this deponent is aged 74 years and was born in the County of Dobbs, State of North Carolina.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ J. G. Baduly, Clk

S/ Henry Turner



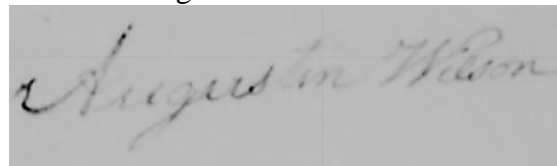
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State of Georgia, Washington County

Personally appeared before me Augustin Wilson a Citizen of the County & State aforesaid formerly a Citizen of the County of Dobbs and the State of North Carolina aged about 78 years who being duly sworn said that he was formally & now is personally acquainted with Reuben Turner of the County of Burke & State of Georgia & that this deponent states that upon his on personal knowledge that the said Reuben Turner did entered the service of the United States as a drafted Soldier under Captain Stringer McIllwaine and Colonel William Caswell's Regiment & that he served under General Ashe & that he served five months & that the said Reuben Turner entered the service in the County of Dobbs North Carolina & that he was at the Battle of Briar Creek in the State of Georgia when General Ashe was defeated.

Sworn to before me 14th day of May 1833

S/ Augustin Wilson



S/ Silas Floyd, JICWC