

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Wallis (Wallace) R11085

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State of South Carolina York District

On this 17th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before his Honor William D. Martin an associate Judge of the State aforesaid, now sitting, John Wallace a resident of the State and district aforesaid, aged sixty-nine years, who being duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

1st Interrogatory -- Answer. The Applicant was born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, came to this district when three years old as he is informed and believes, and has resided here ever since -- except for sixteen years when he resided in Rutherford NC which was from about the year 1794 to 1810.

2nd -- Answer. Has no record of his age in his possession -- once had but is now lost.

3rd -- Answer. The answer to this interrogatory is given above.

4th -- Answer. -- was a volunteer on each occasion.

5th -- Answer. My first service was under the command of Captain Samuel Moore, and Lieutenant William Beard, we proceeded towards Ninety Six in search of Tory Cunningham [sic, William "Bloody Bill" Cunningham], but came up with him on Saluda River, when Captain Moore leaving us on this side of the River and taking with him a few men proceeded across, and was surprised by Cunningham and killed. I assisted in burying him. I returned home and immediately volunteered under the command of General Henderson [William Henderson] and Colonel Bratton [William Bratton] & Captain Joseph Smith and proceeded to the four hole Bridge and laid there 3 months -- returned home a very short time -- turned out again under the command of Captain John Wallace, who scoured this and Chester district to suppress the Tories - - this continued during this summer -- This Applicant feels confident that the whole length of the term of his services should be estimated at 2 years.

6th -- Answer. The applicant never received a written discharge.

7th -- Answer. He refers for his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution to the Reverend John Rooker & Mr. Joseph Carrol

the applicant relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the year and date above written in open Court

S A. McWhorter, CCCYD

S/ John Wallis, X his mark

[Reverend John Rooker & Joseph Carrol gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

South Carolina York district: Personally appeared David Patton¹ before me and made oath that he served with the within named declarant John Wallace at the four hole [bridge] for 3 months and knows that the said John Wallace served said tour of duty.

Sworn to before me June 14th 1833

S David Patton

S/ J. M. Ross, QU

State of South Carolina York District: Personally appeared John Wallace the within applicant before me and made oath that the first service mentioned in his declaration under the command of Captain Samuel Moore against the Tory Cunningham was performed the fall of 17[last 2 digits completely obliterated by an ink blot] that this service continued for 2 months at least and he believes more, that the 2nd service mentioned in his declaration as being under the command of General Henderson was in 1782 and continued for 3 months, that the 3rd service mentioned in his declaration as under Captain John Wallace was in the summer of 1782 and continued for 3 months at least, that in all these tours of duty he acted as a private militia soldier, that he has no documentary evidence of any of his services nor can he prove them by any witness now [indecipherable word] except his service at the four hole [bridge] which he can prove by David Patton.

Sworn to before me June 14th 1833

S/ J. Wallis [he signed this himself, if appears]

S/ J. M. Ross, QU

South Carolina York District: Personally appeared John Wallace in open Court before me Benjamin Chambers, Judge of the Court of Ordinary for York District, who being sworn according to law, doth make the following amendment to his declaration for a Pension, made before Honorable W D Martin 17th of October 1832 & now on file in the War department in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 in relation to pensions etc.

The deponent saith that the two months service first mentioned in his Declaration was in the performance of military duty strictly -- that he was regularly mustered into service & marched from post to post, in search of the enemy, always ready & prepared to give him battle -- The deponent says that of all the other periods of service mentioned in his said declaration, he has to say the same -- He was regularly mustered into service -- under the command of regularly appointed & commissioned Officers and the Army of which he was a private on all occasions, cooperated with the other forces in South Carolina, in defeating the enemy. Deponent further says, that it was considered highly important, in the times, when he was in service to keep forces marching from post to post & from station to station to keep in check & when practicable give battle to the Tories -- Deponent says that his declaration is wrong where he is made to say that he was a volunteer in all the periods of his service -- he was drafted regularly for the 2 first periods mentioned. Sworn to & subscribed in open court January 3rd 1838.

S/ Benjamin Chambers, QU

S/ John Wallis

¹ [David Patton S18151](#)