

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Walls R11091

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[fn p. 15]

State of Georgia Gwinnett County: Superior Court September Term 1832

On this 25th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court (it being a Court of Record) now sitting Charles Walls a resident of the said County of Gwinnett & State aforesaid aged sixty-nine 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 & served as herein stated, to wit, That he entered the service in Charlott [Charlotte] County and State of Virginia wherein he then resided as an enlisted Soldier under the command of Captain Edmond Reid [Edmond Read or Edmund Read] Lieutenant George Brant & Cornet Harry Nicholson for the term of two years that he enlisted in July 1779 & was discharged in August 1781 by said Captain Reed. That he belonged to the state troops of Virginia & belonged to the Cavalry commanded by Major John Nelson, a part of the time attached to the command of General Morgan, General Wane [Anthony Wayne] & General Layfayette [Lafayette], from Charlotte we went to Williamsburg & was there Equipt [equipped] from thence to the barracks of Albemarle where we guarded Burgoins [Burgoyne's] Troops from thence to Botlamore [Baltimore] in Meriland [Maryland] then back to Virginia & from thence through North Carolina & in the South Carolina in & near Camden thence back to Virginia where we had a small engagement at Petersburg against Cornwallis, fought them again at hot water, thence to Jamestown where we had a hard battle which drove the Enemy to sea, we then marched up on appomattock [Appomattox] near to Goods Bridge where I received my regular discharge as before mentioned: but the said discharge has since been lost or mislaid so that I cannot find it. That he recollects of no person living who can prove his said services and that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his services nor does he know of any person now living Except his Brother John Walls who has submitted an affidavit which is herewith submitted, stating that he saw me in the list & has repeatedly seen his said discharge that since the Revolutionary war he has resided first in Virginia thence to South Carolina & from there to the State of Georgia and intimate this time residing in said State of Georgia & County of Gwinnett he hereby relinquishes every Claim whatsoever to a pension or an annuity except the present – and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court

Attest S/ Wm Maltbie, C. J. C.

S/ Charles Walls, X his mark

[fn p. 9: On August 21, 1832 in Gwinnett County Georgia, John Walls, a resident of Jackson County Georgia, gave testimony that he saw his brother Charles Walls enlisted in the company of

Captain Reed in the state line of Virginia for the term of 2 years in the Cavalry or light horse; that he was absent from home the full term of 2 years; since his return the deponent has repeatedly seen the discharge of the said Charles but does not recollect by whom it was signed. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[Facts in file: Veteran died May 13, 1838 in Gwinnett County Georgia; veteran married February 4, 1785, Rebeckah (Rebekah, Rebecca) Farned, she died in Gwinnett County, to Georgia April 6, 1839. The veteran and his wife had the following children:

James born November 14, 1785

Elizabeth born May 13, 1787

John born December 11, 1789

Edward born May one, 1792

Nancy born May 9, 1795, married __ Chapman

Rebecka or Rebecca born October 6, 1797, married __ Maynard

In the 1852 the only surviving children were Nancy Chapman and Rebecca Maynard]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the cavalry service of the Virginia militia.]