

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Whitehurst R11455

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State of North Carolina Pasquotank County: Declaration

On the 5 day of September 1832, Personally appeared Thomas Bell, Lemuel Jennings and Doctrine R. Perry [?] Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Pasquotank & State of North Carolina, Anthony Whitehurst of the age of seventy-four 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 Provisions of the Act of Congress passed 7 June 1832 --

He states that sometime during the Revolutionary War, a requisition was made by the State authorities for a certain number of soldiers from the County of Pasquotank (but he does not recollect the number) that the militia Company of which he was a member, divided themselves into classes and each class furnished his man, and that he was the person selected from his class, that he soon after entered the Command of Captain Walson [sic, Watson?] of Perquimans or Gates County, & marched directly to Charleston, SC, but he cannot recollect the precise period or year when the service was performed. He does not recollect the names of the Commanding officers, and he attributes his ignorance of the names of the commanding Officers to the fact that he was a tailor by trade and on his arrival at Charleston he was taken from the Ranks & put to work at his trade & made the soldiers clothes during the whole time of service, and he remembers that the name of his foreman was John Rae, he has no documentary evidence to prove his service but can prove that he left the County as a soldier during the war and returned with the soldiers when their term of service expired. He went into service for six months and that he served the whole time of six months and then [was] discharged by the officers, He was acquainted with Joseph Banks¹ of the County and was a witness for said Banks when he procured his pension, that said Banks is now dead and he cannot remember a single person now living, whom he knew in the service, he has here with taken the deposition of Joseph H. Banks Son of Joseph Banks in relation to what he has heard his father, he was in no battle during the time of his service. He is a native of Princess Anne County, Virginia, but removed to North Carolina at the age of twenty-one, or twenty-two & worked at his trade in the counties of Camden and Pasquotank, until he entered the Service as above stated, he has constantly resided in Pasquotank County & still continues to reside in said County, He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on

¹ [Joseph Banks S41426](#)

the Pension Roll of the Agency of [any] State.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Anthony Whitehurst, X his mark

before me in open Court

S/ Charles Grice, Clerk

Frederick Whitehurst being sworn according to law maketh oath that sometime during the revolutionary war he understood & believed that Anthony Whitehurst who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration left the County of Pasquotank in the capacity of a common [soldier], and was absent from the County six months, or more and was supposed to have been a soldier during the time -- he was unmarried at the time and made my father's house his home & is a cousin to me and was supposed by all the family to have regularly performed the service, but this affiant did not see him in the service.

Sworn and subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me in open court

S/ Charles Grice, Clerk

S/ F. Whitehurst

Joseph Whitehurst be sworn according to law maketh oath that Anthony Whitehurst who has subscribed the above declaration left the County sometime during the revolutionary war in the capacity of a soldier and was absent from the County during the war, six months or more, and was reported & believed to have been a soldier during the time, He made the house of this affiant's father his home and is a cousin to this affiant, and he has no doubt that he performed at least six months service during the war.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me in open court.

S/ Charles Grice, Clerk

S/ Jos. Whitehurst

Joseph H. Banks son of Joseph Banks, maketh oath that he has heard his father say that Anthony Whitehurst was a soldier during the revolutionary war, and in the Army with him (Banks) at the southward and he thinks he said it was at Charleston, and thinks he has heard him say that he & Whitehurst came home in company.

S/ Jos. H. Banks

S/ Charles Grice, Clerk