

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Wolfenbarger R11770

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State of Tennessee Knox County: SS

On this 24th day of August 1832 Personally appeared in open Court before me Samuel Powel one of the Circuit Judges of law and Equity in and for said State of Tennessee and for the first Judicial Circuit in the Circuit Court now sitting Peter Wolfenbarger a resident of the County and State aforesaid in said County and State aged eighty-one 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. He lived in Shanadore County [Shenandoah County] Virginia at which place he was drafted as a private for three months the year not recollected but he thinks it was in the month of August he hired a substitute to serve said tour by the name of Martin Miller under Captain George Rinker and Colonel Abraham Burd [Abraham Bird's] Regiment said Miller served out the full time of three months for me and brought me an honorable discharge which was signed by said Colonel Burd which is lost.

Again while living at the same place in the fall of the year but the year not recollected he was drafted for three months under Captain Henry Daring in Colonel Abraham Burd's Regiment of Virginia militia and he hired a substitute to serve said tour by the name of Henry Fetzer who served out his full time of three months and brought me at an honorable discharge signed by the said Colonel Burd and it is lost.

Again while living at the same place in the first of September 1781 he was drafted to serve a 3 months tour against the British under Captain Darby County in Colonel John Tipton's Regiment we rendezvoused at Miller's town at the Courthouse of said Shenandoah County marched to Fredericksburg thence towards Richmond we were met by an express and informed that Cornwallis was taken we were then honorably discharged for a 3 month tour but we did not serve that length of time the true date of the discharge not recollected. The discharge was signed by Colonel Tipton but is lost. He has no documentary evidence and he knows of [no] person whose evidence he can procure who can testify to his service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the roll of the pension agency of any State. There is no clergyman living immediately in my neighborhood.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Sworn to in open Court August 24, 1832

S/ Will Swan, Clk

S/ Peter Wolfenbarger, X his mark

[Joseph Jackson and Aaron Gentry gave the standard supporting affidavit.]