

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Duncan Campbell R1626

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State of Kentucky } Sct

Gallatin County }

On this 13th day of March 1834 personally appeared before me Benjamin Tiller Justice of the peace in and for the county of Gallatin State of Kentucky and one of the Justices of the Gallatin county Court Duncan Campbell aged 74 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

That is to say being a resident of Orange County State of Virginia he did on the [blank] day of April 1780 as well as he now recollects enter the service of the United States as a drafted militia man and as a Surgeon upon a tour of three months in the company of Capt Benjamin Johnson that he rendezvoused with his said company at the usual muster ground in said county together with several other companies under the command of Col. Taylor and that he was marched immediately from his said place of rendezvous with the militia under the command of the said Col. to Charlottesville and he states that he and the militia under the command of the said Col. was there kept stationed at the said place as a part of the garrison of that place during the whole period of his said tour of three months being the period for which he was drafted and celled into the service and after having actually served out his said tour fully and faithfully he was discharged and returned home He further states and declares that being still a resident of the said county of Orange state of Virginia he did on the [blank] day of August 1780 again enter the service of the United States as a Volunteer and as a Surgeon upon a tour of three months in the company of Capt Robt Johnson [Robert Johnson] as as he now recollects that rendezvoused with his said company at the usual muster ground in said county together with several other companies under the command of Col. [Samuel] Temple and that he was marched from his said place of rendezvous with the militia under the command of the said Col. to Richmond and he states that he and the troops with which he was were there kept stationed at the said point as a part of the garrison of that place during the whole period of his said tour of three months being the time for which he volunteered and entered the service and after having actually served out his said term fully and faithfully he was discharged and returned home. He further states and declares that being still a resident of the county of Orange state of Virginia he did about the middle of the month of June 1781 again enter the service of the United States as a drafted militia man and as a Surgeon upon a tour of four months in the company of Capt May Burton Lieutenant Belfield Cave and that he rendezvoused with his said company at the court house in the said county of Orange and that he with his said company marched immediately to Richmond and he there came under the command of Col. Thos. Mathews [Thomas Mathews] and this declarant and the troops under the command of the said Col. marched from there to the Maubin hills [sic: Malvern Hill 15 mi SE of Richmond] and there joined Gen'l. Lawsons [Robert Lawson's] Brigade and from there this declarant and the troops under the command of the said Gen'l. marched to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] and was there kept stationed for some time and from there this declarant was marched to the green springs and was in the engagement at that place [Battle of Green Springs Plantation, 6 Jul 1781] and this declarant states that from there he was marched to little York and the siege of that place commenced [28 Sep] and that he was present and aided and assisted in the capture of the British army under Cornwallis [19 Oct] and this declarant states that the period for which he was drafted having at that time expired he after having served out his said term of four months being the time for which he was drafted and called into the service he was there discharged after having served out his said tour fully and faithfully and returned

home

This declarant states that he is growing old and is very infirm in body and that his memory has greatly failed him and he is confident that he performed other services during the Revolutionary war than those above set forth which he cannot now remember with sufficient certainty to attempt a correct detail of them but he is confident he did not serve less than three months as a volunteer and as a Surgeon and seven months as a drafted militia man and as a Surgeon comprising a period of Ten months actual service in the revolutionary war as above stated and set forth

This declarant states that he has no documentary evidence and knows of no person whose testimony 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 pension roll of the agency of any state Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] Duncan Campbell

Interrogatories put to the above named applicant by the said Justice of the peace

1st Where and in what year were you born

Ans I was born in Orange County Virginia in the year 1760

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it

Ans I have none

3rd Where were you living when called into the service where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live

Ans I was living in Orange County Virginia and continued to live there after the revolutionary war until the year 1812 when I moved to Gallatin county Kentucky where I now live

4th How were you called into the service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

Ans I was drafted upon my first tour upon my second I was a volunteer and upon my third I was drafted

5th State the names of some of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served such continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service

Ans

I recollect Gen'l Lawson Cols. Temple Taylor and Mathews who were militia officers upon my first tour I was stationed at Charlottesville upon my second tour I was stationed at Richmond upon my third tour I was stationed at different points part of my last tour I was stationed at Richmond part of my time at Williamsburgh I was in the engagement at the green springs and from there I was marched to little York and was present at the capture of Cornwallis in October 1781 and was there discharged

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it. Ans I received discharges signed by my officers which I have lost

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your service as an officer of the revolution

Ans I will name William Whiteside and Jacob Walters

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid [signed] Duncan Campbell

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Be it known that on this 15th day of October 1835 personally appeared before me Benjamin Tiller a Justice of the peace in and for the county of Gallatin state of Kentucky and one of the Justices of the Gallatin county Court Duncan Campbell a resident of said county and state aged 75 years and upwards who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration by way of amendment to a declaration made by the said Duncan Campbell some time in the spring of 1834 in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832 This declarant states that some time in the spring of 1834 as well as he now recollects he made a declaration and stated the services he performed

during the revolutionary war as a militia man and surgeon in order to be placed on the pension rool he further states and declares that from the great infirmity as well as infirmity of mind that he cannot now state his services as correct nor as fully and particularly as he I did in his said declaration in the spring of 1834 this declarant will therefore have to rely upon his former declaration He would again state that at the time he entered the service of the United Stats that he was living in Orange County Virginia and that upon his first tour he was drafted upon a tour of three months and served out said time fully and faithfully and upon his second tour he was a volunteer upon a tour of three months and served out the said term fully and faithfully and upon his third tour he was drafted upon a tour of four months which time this declarant served out fully and faithfully and this declarant states the first tour of three months he was drafted as a militia man and that he served as a Surgeon and upon the second tour he was a volunteer and served as a Surgeon and that upon his third tour he was drafted and served as a Surgeon as stated in his former declaration and this declarant further states and declares that to the best of his knowledge and belief he never did receive a commission as surgeon during the revolutionary war this decarant states and declares that from the great bodily infirmity he has laboured under since the time he made his former declaration and from the loss in part of his memory that he cannot now state his services as correct as he then did he states that he is very helpless and old and that the small amount to which he may be entitled would be of great use and benefit to him in his old age he therefor prays the allowance of his claim

[signed] Duncan Campbell