

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Alexander Cary (Carey) R1679

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Territory of Florida, Western District, Walton County

On this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1833 having been called upon to attend at the dwelling of Alexander Cary a resident of Walton County owing to the great bodily infirmity of said Cary which prevents him from attending the Court of said County said Alexander Cary being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States early in the war of the revolution he thinks in the latter end of 1776 or the beginning of 1777. The date he cannot remember. He was then between the ages of 40 & 45 years of age, that he thinks he is now nearly 100 years old, but his precise age he cannot ascertain as he has no record thereof remaining. He was born in the State of Pennsylvania whence he removed before the commencement of the war to Burke County in Georgia where he enlisted as aforesaid. The only officers under whose command he served, whose names he now remembers, are Colonel Stewart, Colonel Jack and Captain Alexander, he served as a regular soldier under said enlistment for the term of three years. After the expiration of said time he again served in the militia, among what were called the "minute men" until the close of the war. In the course of his first service he marched with his Regiment to the St. John's River in Florida. After remaining there for some time he marched back to the State of Georgia & was discharged at a place called "Midway Meeting House." That his discharge was burned in his house upwards of 30 years ago when his house was consumed by fire together with almost everything belonging to him. He does not remember who gave him his discharge. Since the revolutionary war he has lived mostly in the State of Georgia thence he removed about 11 years ago to Alabama and about four years ago since he removed to Walton County where he now resides. He states that he knows of no person unless it be Samuel Carter in the County who can establish his services. The names of the persons who can testify to the truth & veracity and reputation of having served in the Revolutionary War are the Reverend C. S. N. Jones, Alexander Turner, Samuel Carter.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any state or (if any) only on that of the agency of the state of Georgia.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Alexander Cary, X his mark

S/ David Gartman, Judge of the County Court of Walton County

[C. S. N. Jones, a clergyman, and Alexander Turner gave the standard supporting affidavits.]

[p 15: Samuel Carter also gave a 'hearsay' affidavit saying what he had heard about the services of Cary during the war.]