

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Matthew Fox R3729

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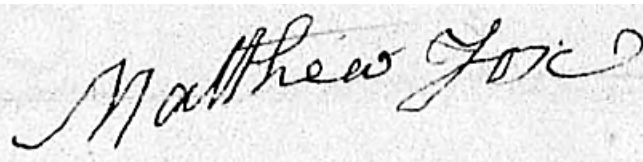
State of Tennessee Cocke County

On this 1st day of February 1844 personally appeared before me Mathew Fox a resident of Cocke County in said State of Tennessee aged 77 years and 3 months who being 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 7th of June 1832. That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as hereinafter stated. Under General Andrew Pickens Col. Robert Anderson Major __ Hamilton [Andrew Hamilton] given name not recollected Capt. John Norwood Lieut. & Ensign not recollected That he entered the service of the United States in the year 1781 and served 3 months that he received a furlough on the 22nd of October 1781, he was in the battle at the mill [? Mile] Branch¹ in South Carolina 8 days after he received his furlough he entered the service a second time and served eight months and thirteen days and was discharged during which time he was in the following engagement at dewits corner [sic, Dewitt's Corner] the above are all the engagements he was then during his service he marched from the battle of Mile Branch to Dewitt's Corner thence to Ninety Six and remained there until he was Honorably discharged. That he served in Washington's Regiment that he recollects none of the regular officers of the Army whom he served with that he has lost his discharge burned by accident he had a furlough from his Capt. and Col. which is hereto annexed and sent as proof of his services he knows of no person in this part of the country who knows anything of his service in the Army. 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 or Territory in the United States.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and [year] aforesaid before me.

S/ Thos. Mantooth [?], JP

S/ Matthew Fox



The following Interrogatories were asked by me in the following answers given
First question: Where and in what year were you born?

¹ *the mill Branch*

Ans: I was born in Abbeville District in South Carolina and in the year 1766.

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

Ans: I have one that I took from my Father's record in my Bible

Question 3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: I was living in Abbeville district in the State of South Carolina. I have lived in Cocke County Tennessee since I left South Carolina which is about 38 years.

Question 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 a discharge from General Andrew Pickens Col. Robert Anderson and Capt. John Norwood and it has been destroyed by my house being burned and was burnt in the house.

How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans: I was a volunteer

State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans: Joseph Mannon a clergyman Samuel Ball & George Gray

[Joseph Mannon, a clergyman, Samuel Ball and George Gray gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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S/ Robert Anderson, Colnel

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