

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Henderson R4865

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State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County: Court of Pleas & Quarter sessions April term
A.D. 1836

On this 25th day of April 1836 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record, and which is now sitting for the County of aforesaid, Andrew Henderson, a resident of the County of Mecklenburg, and State of North Carolina, aged 83 years – who being first Sworn according to law, doth, on his Corporal Oath, make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he entered into the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he was drafted in the year 1780, in the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain Joseph Graham, for the term of three months, and that he served out the whole of said time. That he was drafted again, in the year 1781 in the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain James Tigret [sic, James Ligert of the Mecklenburg County Regiment of NC militia] for the term of three months, and that he served the whole of said time, that Francis Locke was the Colonel.

S/ Andrew Henderson, X his mark

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 date above written.

S/ Andrew Henderson, X his mark

[Robert H. Morrison, a clergyman, and Amos Alexander gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The following are the And Robert Tories put by the court to the said Andrew Henderson, as to his services in the revolutionary war, to wit:

Question 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans: I was born in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, in the year 1753.

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

Ans: I have, which is in the Bible, now at home.

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

Ans: In the County of Mecklenburg – North Carolina, where I yet live.

4th 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 drafted each time.

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

Ans: Colonel Francis Locke, the only one I recollect.

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 remember nothing about my discharges.

7th 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: Dan Alexander, Matthew Wallis, John McNeely who were brought forward in Court, and stated, that they have known the applicant for a number of years, That they believe he was a soldier of the Revolutionary War, that such has been the general belief in the neighborhood, and that the applicant sustains the character of an honest man.

State of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County

On this day Robert Kerr¹ personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace, and states that Andrew Henderson who has filed his Declaration on this 26th day of April A.D. 1836 and sworn to the same in Mecklenburg County Court was late Soldier in the Revolutionary War, That he remembers well remembers to have seen the said Andrew Henderson in the company commanded by Captain James Ligert and that they served together under Colonel Francis Locke, although under different captains. That they were discharged together and returned home together. This was in March 1781.

Sworn to and subscribed before me 26th of April 1836.

S/ Robt Carr [Robert Carr]



S/ Wm W. Long, JP

Said of North Carolina, Mecklenburg County

On this day personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the peace Robert Robinson² and states that he recollects perfectly well to have seen Andrew Henderson, now of the County of Mecklenburg and State of North Carolina aged (he supposes) 80 years or more – That he is the same man whom he recollects to have seen in the Revolutionary War, in the year 1780, in the company commanded by Captain Joseph Graham. That he saw him often although not in the same company. That it was in the summer time of that year – how long he served he don't know. But that he knew him personally then, and have known him ever since, and both lived in the same neighborhood.

Sworn to and subscribed this 26 April 1836.

S/ Robert Robinson

S/ Wm W. Long, JP



1 [Robert Carr \(Kerr\) S8778](#)

2 [Robert Robison S7426](#)