

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Loy R6498

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State of North Carolina Orange County: SS

On this the 5th day of May A.D. 1834 personally appeared before the undersigned an acting Justice of the peace, in & for the County of Orange aforesaid, John Loy, a resident citizen of Orange, aforesaid: now in the eighty seventh year of his age (as nearly as he can ascertain) who being first duly qualified 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, Entitled --

An act Supplementary to the "Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and Soldiers of the Revolution."

This applicant states that he entered the service of the United States at a very early period of the Revolutionary war, & volunteered as private in a Company of Militia commanded by Captain William Rogers, our object was to suppress the Tories -- we traversed the Counties of Chatham, Randolph & South of Orange -- Colonel William O'Neal & Brigadier John Butler, were our superior Officers. The length of time we were out upon this tour this declarant cannot now speak with precision, but feels confident it was as much as one month. But the time he performed this service he cannot now remember.

And this applicant further states upon his oath, that during the War of the Revolution, he was at sundry times called upon by his officers to serve against the common enemy, and invariably yielded a ready obedience -- But the number of tours he served -- the names of the different officers he was under -- & the length of the tours -- he cannot speak with precision -- but remembers well that some of the Tours were one month -- Some two weeks, and some but one week, he feels however positive he served the United States in the militia as private, six months, or more, and that he knows of no person now living that served in the same Company with him: --

In each of the said tours, this applicant says, he was in search of the Tories who were becoming very trouble [sic, troublesome] South of him: especially in Randolph, Chatham & more Counties -- and that he received at the expiration of each of their tours no written but verbal discharges & from his superior Officers.

And this Applicant further states upon his oath, that in each of the several tours, he served the United States, he was in a Corps legally organized and called into service by Competent authority: --

And the said John Loy applicant, further saith upon his oath, that from old age, and the consequent attendant "loss of memory," he is unable to speak with more precision of his services in the War of the Revolution than he has done in this his Declaration --

And this Declarant further saith upon his oath -- That he was born in the State of Pennsylvania -- and was removed to North Carolina, when about 7 or 8 years of age.

That he has no Record of his age, but from the best information he is now 87 years old.

That he was living in this County (Orange) when called into Service and has been living there ever since.

And that when he entered the service of the United States he volunteered.

That he was acquainted with Colonel William O'Neal, General Alexander Mebane, & General Butler & others --

That he received only verbal discharges for his several Tours -- from the officers last mentioned.

And this Applicant further certifies that he is well acquainted with the Reverend William Artz of his neighborhood, also with Doctor Michael Wm Holt, Edwin Holt & others, who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and declares, that his name is not upon the pension roll of the Agency of any State. And that from bodily infirmity cannot attend Court to make his Declaration.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Test:

S/ John Loy, X his mark

S/ Michl. Holt, JP

[William Artz, a clergyman, Michael W. Holt and Briscoe M. S. Warren [could be Briscoe U. W. Warren] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]