

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McCulloch (McCollock) R6671 Nancy McCulloch f52NC
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State of Tennessee

This day personally appeared before me Alfred M. Harris one of the circuit Judges of the State of Tennessee, the undersigned John McCulloch, who being first duly sworn, deposeseth and saith that he is a citizen of the United States of America, and resident in the County of Giles and state of Tennessee. That he did, in the spring of the year 1776, at Hillsboro in the State of North Carolina, enlist as a private Soldier for the term of 12 months in a company then commanded by Capt. Archibald Lytle, in the 6th Regiment of North Carolina State Troops of the Continental establishment during the revolutionary War between the United States of America & Great Britain and that he did Serve against the common Enemy (Great Britain) on the Continental establishment as aforesaid for the said term of 12 months when he was Honorably discharged by order of Col. Archibald Lytle, who had then become Col. of said Regiment, which said discharge this deponent has lost by time or accident so that the same cannot now be produced. This deponent is now in the seventy fourth year of his age and has no means of gaining a Subsistence otherwise than by his own labor, he therefore thinks that he stands in need of present assistance from his Country for a Support. He hereby relinquishes his claim to every pension granted him by the laws of the United States, previous to the passage of an act of Congress thereof entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed both houses of Congress on the 9th of March 1818, and signed by the president on the 21st of the same month; and this deponent prays to be placed on the Pension list agreeably to the provisions of said Act -- 12 August 1818.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th of August 1818

S/ Alfred M. Harris

S/ John McCulloch {Seal}



Be it further remembered that on the same day and year above mentioned also appeared before me Alfred M. Harris, one of the circuit Judges of the State of Tennessee, the undersigned Thomas Rutherford,¹ who being duly sworn, deposeseth & saith, that he is well acquainted with the above named John McCulloch and knew him as early as the year 1776, he being then his neighbor. He

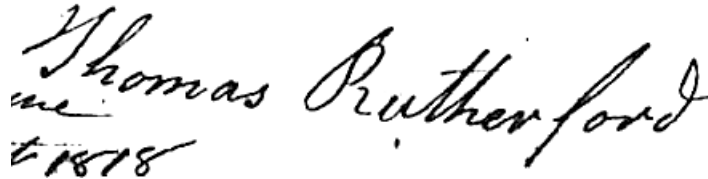
¹ [Thomas Rutherford R9114](#)

knows of the said John McCulloch in the year 1776 (as well as he now recollects) having enlisted as a soldier on the Continental establishment, for the term of 12 months, and believes he served during the whole of said time; and that he was honorably discharged -- as he was always a good Whig, and esteemed a very honest man. 12th August 1818

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 12th of August 1818

S/ Alfred M. Harris, Judge

S/ Thomas Rutherford



State of Tennessee Giles County: Circuit Court August Term 1822

This day personally appeared in open court, being a Court of record, John McCulloch of the State of Tennessee Giles County, aged Seventy-eight years on the ninth day of June last, who being solemnly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration for the purpose of being entitled to a pension under the acts of Congress -- viz. --

That he did serve as a private Soldier, on the Continental Establishment during the revolutionary War, against the Common enemy, in manner and for the term mentioned in his declaration made before Alfred M. Harris late Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit of the State of Tennessee on the 12th day of August 1818 and sent to the Secretary of War of the United States, upon which, together with the evidence of Capt. William Lytle² of Rutherford County, he obtained a pension certificate signed J. C. Calhoun Secretary of War, dated 21st day of June 1820, and numbered 17553, which is exhibited to the court now here and that he is the same John McCulloch, who obtained said pension certificate

And this affiant's further saith that he is by occupation a Farmer, or cultivator of the soil. That he is too old and infirm to gain a support by his labor. That he has no other family except himself and his wife; and that she is about 67 years of age; and that she is very infirm, & not only unable to assist him in getting a living, but an expance to him. That his property consist of the following articles viz

110 acres of poor ridgy land principally woodland	
there being about one 15 acres cleared worth one dollar per acre	\$110
1 Mare 6 years old	75
1 horse 25 years old	5
31 Head of hogs (half pigs)	31
3 Cows & calves	30
7 Head of sheep	10
3 Beds & 3, in coarse bedsteads	30
1 Chest 1 Table-- 8 chairs 1 Cotton wheel	7
1 cheek reel 1 small pot & skellet & prying pan	5
1 pair of fire dogs & 1 loom 1 Kettle	12
1 hand saw 1 pr. Steelyards & a little cupboard furniture	5

² [Will \(William\) Lytle S46228](#)

Notes on Thomas Rutherford for

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\$380

That the above is all the property he possesses either in Notes, debts, or claims -- and that he has not either directly or indirectly, made over or a signed away any part or portion of his said property, or claims owing him, with a view of becoming entitled to a pension, or with any other view whatever. He thinks he stands in need of assistance of his country for support. He therefore prays that his said pension be continued to him. He further swears that no person has any property or effects in debts or otherwise in possession for his use or benefit.

Sworn to in Open court this 8th day of August 1822

S/ H. Hager, Clk

S/ John McCulloch



State of Tennessee Giles County: Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions of said County November Term 1828

Personally appeared in Open Court the said Court being a Court of record expressly made so by the laws of the State and having unlimited Jurisdiction in point of amount in the County Court for the County of Giles in the State of Tennessee John McCulloch resident in said County aged 85 years the 9th Day of June 1828 who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of 18 March 1818 And the first of May 1820 that he the said John McCulloch enlisted for the term of thirteen months on the__ day of__ in the year 1776 (the day of the month and month in which he enlisted not being recollected) in the State of North Carolina in the Company commanded by Capt. Archibald Little [sic, Lytle] the said Lytle having received the appointment and then promoted to the command of Col. from that of Capt. about the time the declarant as one of Capt. Little's company joined said Regiment in the line of the State of North Carolina on the North Carolina Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps until the month of May June or July in the year 1777 when he was discharged from the service in Halifax town in the State of North Carolina that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the roll of any other State except the State of North Carolina as well as he recollects and confidently believes and that the following all the reasons for his not making earlier application for a pension (viz.) that sometime in the years 1818, 1820, 21 (or 22) and declarant's memory is so deficient that he is not able to say with certainty which of these years) he made the proper declarations under the act of 18th March 1818 in either the Circuit or County Court of Giles County Tennessee & forwarded said declaration to the proper department at Washington City that by virtue of his then declaration he was placed on the pension list and drew a pension of \$8 per month under act of 18th March 1818 from the 12th day of August 1818 until the 4th day of March 1820 after which time he was stricken off the Pension list receiving notice of that fact from the Secretary of War by letter dated 18th November 1822 declarant never knew some time last spring that the provisions of the Act of 1st May 1820 were & was not been informed of the precise provisions of said act and resided in a remote part of said County of Giles about thirteen miles from Pulaski the seat of Justice in said County and did not know to whom to apply to prepare his papers for him until very lately within 3 or 4

months passed declarant assigns as an additional [reason] for his not applying earlier to be reinstated on the Pension list Following that he is aged and infirm travels about with much pain and difficulty and is ignorant & illiterate declarant refers to his former declaration mentioned above & on file in the War department as establishing his claim so far as his character as a revolutionary Soldier is necessary to be proven, to a pension and in pursuance of the Act of the First of May 1820 I said John McCulloch do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or other wise disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule of the Estate real and personal of John McCulloch the declarant (viz.)

[there follows another schedule of property totaling \$187 including 110 acres of land less a mortgage of \$80 and a debt he owes of \$75, leaving a net worth of \$32.]

S/ John McCulloch

Declarant states that his occupation is that of a farmer but from age & consequent infirmity & disease he is entirely unable to pursue his said profession and that the following are the only persons residing with him in his family (viz.) his wife named Agnes McCullough aged about 73 being infirm and not able to contribute materially to his support a son, a widower, named David aged 35 years destitute of property having 4 children named John, Elizabeth, James and Joseph the eldest a son about 10 years old age granddaughter named Nancy Jane Gilaspie aged about 13 or 14 years without any property declarant says he is not able to derive any support of consequence from the 6 last mentioned persons declarant further states that since 18th March 1818 the following are the only material changes that have been made in his property (viz.) some 4 or 5 years ago he owned a Bay mare about 6 years old which died about that time said mare was worth about \$70 there has also been a considerable diminution in declarant's stock of hogs since 18th March 1818 many then casually dying & some having been killed for the support of his family since 18th March 1818 declarant lost a very old Bay horse worth little or nothing declarant States that since that time there has been a gradual decrease of his property by use consumption and accidental loss until it has come to its present small amount declarant further states that since 18th March 1818 (to wit) 3 or 4 years ago he sold to one George Varser a cow for the sum of \$10 to be paid sometime thereafter that said Varser has never paid said sum of \$10 or any part of it & is now and has been for a year or 2 utterly insolvent declarant says that since 18th March 1818 he has not sold or otherwise of any property whatever at present within his recollection except said cow nor has any of his property been sold by execution or other legal process since 18th March 1828

[he goes on to describe the mortgaging of his land &c...]

27th November 1828

S/ John McCulloch

[Facts in file: Veteran married Agnes or Nancy, maiden name not given, in Orange County, NC in 1777 or 1778; in 1847, she was living in Dallas County, Arkansas, aged 99. In her application she states that her husband died April 4, 1834 (place not stated). She signed her application with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 12th, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]