

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William McManners R6789

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The State of Kentucky Garrard County

On this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1853 Personally appeared before me H. A. Kurty a Justice of the peace within and for the County aforesaid, William McManners a resident of said County aged 95 years; who 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 the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the service of the Revolutionary war on or about the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ in the year 1778 in Albemarle County State of Virginia for the term of 5 years and served in the \_\_\_ under Captain Jas. Finley [James Finley] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Wallis \_\_\_ until about the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ in the year 1780, that on or about that time at the battle of \_\_\_ in the State of Georgia he was wounded in the body & arm in consequence of which he was compelled to retire from the service after having served two years. That he hired Thomas Spencer as a substitute to serve out his tour, That he was a private in said Company & that his brother Charles McManners was Sergeant & Thomas Mappin [could be Thomas Maffin] Lieutenant, that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no persons testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. That he has never before made any application for a pension from the fact that he knew of no person living by whom he could prove his service. That he moved to Kentucky shortly after the close of the war & has never been able to obtain the evidence of any of his Company since the passage of the act which provides for him. That he hath never drew a pension under any previous act & he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity whatever except the present, and that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

That by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period stated above for which he claims a pension that further to substantiate his claim he very respectfully refers to the original musterrolls of his Company now on file in some of the departments of the general Government and the proof here unto attached and accompanying this application which he trust will be sufficient to justify the Department in granting his claim as prayed for in his foregoing Declaration.

S/ William McManners, X his mark

[Alle Burton gave an affidavit that he has known the veteran for many years past and that the veteran is believed in the neighborhood to have been a soldier of the revolution from Albemarle County Virginia; that the veteran has wounds which appeared to have been inflicted many years since by a ball or bullet.]