

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Marsh R6918

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State of Kentucky Wayne County:

On this the 25th day of September 1834 personally appeared before Moses Sallee an acting Justice of the peace in and for the said County David Marsh a resident Citizen of the County of Wayne State of Kentucky aged seventy-five years the 6th day of October next agreeable to his record which his family had though now destroyed and after being duly sworn for the purpose on his oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

He states that he entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in the district of Country that is now Russell County in the State of Virginia he entered said service a private Volunteer Indian Spy to serve a Tour of three months under Captain John Fuget [John Fugate?] and Lieutenant Richard Price he entered said service about the first of October and agreeable to his best calculation in the year 1779 in ranged between the waters of Clinch and the orders of Sandy River and stationed sometime at Fuget's fort [Fugate's Fort?] and after serving the Tour of three months he was verbally discharged by his said Captain:

He again volunteered to serve a Tour of three months beginning within a few days after the end of his aforementioned Tour and served a Tour of three months under his said Captain had several tedious marches on the head waters of Clinch and the Sandy Rivers and having served the full Term of three months he again was verbally discharged by his said Captain sometime in the early part of the spring,

He again volunteered in a few days thereafter to serve three months more under the aforesaid Captain Fuget and guarded the Fort a great part of the time and marched to a great many points on the head waters of Clinch and served out the Tour of three months more and at the request of the aforesaid Captain continued on agreement to serve as a volunteer another Tour of three months under said Captain and served through the whole summer season as a spy.

He again volunteered in a short time thereafter as a private soldier as a spy and entered the service sometime in the fall the precise time of entering not recollected to serve a tour of three months under his said Captain Fuget and after Ranging through the mountains three months more he was verbally dismissed having served the full Term of three months.

He again in the short time thereafter at the request of his said Captain Fuget Volunteered to serve three months more under him as Ranger and went way toward the Greenbrier and to many points and places and finally marched back to our station and was there discharged by our Captain verbally about the last of May it being the May preceding surrender of Lord Cornwallis [October 19, 1781]. Applicant served wholly against the Indians and served as a spy or Ranging Company and being on the frontiers was never sent against the British. Applicant has no written & Documentary evidence of his service and knows of no person by whom he can prove his

service positively that there would be any chance of getting the Evidence of he states lives in a remote part of the Country on the waters of the South Fork near the Tennessee line in the mountains where he has lived only a little upwards of three years where he has some few acquaintance, though he knows of no certain chance of getting the evidence of a clergyman without great Trouble but he thinks he can prove his character and reputation as being a soldier by his intimate acquaintance some of whom he will name to wit Solomon Cecil, David Sander and he thinks those with whom he has conversed generally and he will name Abraham Vanwinkle as one that he has no doubt but he could prove by that he applicant is reputed as having been a soldier and believed to be so by those who know him applicant was born and raised in Amelia County Virginia after the war moved to Rutherford County North Carolina and then back to Clinch River stayed there a while thence to Sandy, thence Greenville South Carolina stayed there about six years thence to Campbell County Tennessee stayed there many years thence to Wayne County where he now lives thence to McMinn County Tennessee thence to Bledsoe County Tennessee in Sequatcher [?] Valley thence to White County Tennessee thence to where he now lives in Wayne County Kentucky

He applicant hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever 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 and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me

S/ Moses Sallee, JP

S/ David Marsh, X his mark

[Solomon Cecil & David Sowder gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 13: On September 27, 1837 in Morgan County Tennessee, Nancy Reece, 80, a cousin of the veteran gave testimony in support of his kind. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]