

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Moore R7334

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State of Tennessee

On this 6th day of September in the year of our Lord 1841 personally appeared in open court before the worshipful the Justices of the County Court for White County now sitting James Moore a resident of what is now Van Buren County formerly White County State of Tennessee aged about 79 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 Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he served one tour as a volunteer commanded by Major O'Neal his first name not recollected, and Captain John Honeycutt he entered the Service some time in the fall of the year but cannot recollect the date of the year or the month. Applicant joined the company at Captain Honeycutt's House in Cumberland County State of North Carolina then marched into Chatham County where we had an engagement with the Tories where one of the Tory Colonels was killed by the name of McDoodle, and one of our officers was killed in the same engagement his name was Major John Knowles [Maj. John Nall], together with several others killed on both sides our commanding officers in the above engagement was Major John Knowles, Major O'Neal, Joshua Hadley who was a recruiting officer. This battle was fought at Lindley's mill.¹ The Tories had taken Hillsborough about two days² before the above engagement and taken about 250 of our side prisoners amongst whom was Governor Burke [Thomas Burke]. From thence we marched into Randolph County North Carolina then we marched towards Chatham County again. We then marched into the edge of Cumberland County or near the line between Chatham and Cumberland Counties where we had an engagement with the Tories and British near Harmon Coxes. There were several killed on both sides and some prisoners taken on both sides and was exchanged the next day. Our officers who commanded on that day was Major Hadley and Captain Honeycutt. After ranging through and through the above named counties we were permitted to disperse under furlough holding themselves ready to be called together at a moment's warning. This was a six months tour and was in actual active service five months of the time and about a month was on furlough then was called together and mustered out of the service at what was called Cross Creek Town by Major Hadley and Captain Honeycutt this was in Cumberland County State of North Carolina. He states that he received a written discharge for a six months tour as a volunteer and a Lieutenant. This discharge was signed by either Major Hadley or Captain Honeycutt but applicant cannot now recollect which of them, applicant

1 Applicant is describing the Battle of Lindley's Mill which occurred on September 13, 1781. The highest ranking Tory killed at Lindley's Mill was Colonel Hector McNeil. Colonel Archibald McDugald assumed command of the Tories after their commander, Colonel David Fanning was wounded in this engagement.

http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_lindleys_mill.html

2 Actually Hillsboro was attacked by forces under the command of David Fanning on September 12, 1781 and Gov. Thomas Burke was taken prisoner by Fanning during this engagement along with other members of the North Carolina legislature who were meeting in Hillsboro at that time

states that he left his discharge at his father's in Barten [? Bertie]³ County State of North Carolina and it was mislaid or lost so that applicant could never find it. Applicant cannot prove the above Service by any person now living that he knows of at this time. This applicant cannot state the dates of his service. He further states that he found his own Horse and served as above stated a volunteer and Lieutenant.

Interrogatories propounded by the Court to the applicant --

Where and in what year we were you born --

Answer. I was born in Barten [?] County State of North Carolina in the year of our Lord 1762 December the 22nd day. Question Second. Have you a record of your age and if so where is it.

Answer. I had my Father's Record in a Bible and some years ago my children had the Bible at School and the Schoolhouse got burnt and the Bible in it. Question 3rd Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary War, and where do you now live. Answer. In Cumberland County North Carolina since that time I lived in Barten County North Carolina I stayed there about Eighteen months then I went back to Cumberland County then I went into South Carolina Pendleton County where I stayed about twenty years when I removed in to the State of Tennessee White County now Van Buren County where I have lived four or five years. Question 4th. How was you called into Service were you drafted or did you Volunteer or were you a Substitute and if a Substitute for whom. Answer. I cannot State any more on this Subject than I have already Stated in the foregoing Declaration. Question 5th. State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where you served. Such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can Recollect and the general circumstances of your Service. Answer. I have stated the names of Captain John Honeycutt, Major Joshua Hadley who was a Continental officer and Major O'Neal as to the Balance of the Question I have stated the most material circumstances relating to my Service as well as I can recollect. Question 6th. Did you ever Receive a discharge from the Service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it. Answer. I received a written discharge from the Service I have Stated in the foregoing Declaration what became of it and who gave it as well as I can recollect. Question 7th. What is the reason you never applied sooner for your pension. Answer. The Reason why I never applied for my pension before this time is that I have been informed by some men that I was not entitled to it on account of being on furlough one month of the six months tour and that it was not worth my while to make the application on that account and not being better informed until this time I never did make any application.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this sixth day of September 1841.

S/ N. Oldham, Clerk of White County Court

S/ James Moore, X his mark

[Abijah Crain, a clergyman, Joseph Herd, John White, Sr., and Thomas Robertson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Note: On 10/14/14, Linda Moore Hallman informed me that the affidavit of David Moore appearing in the file of [James Moore R7332](#) actually relates to this veteran. David Moore's affidavit appears in R7332 beginning on page 2 and is abstracted as follows:

[p 2: On November 19, 1851 in White County Tennessee, David Moore, 48, made application for a pension due his father James Moore under the 1832 act and his mother Agness Moore under the 1836 act stating that his father died February 11, 1849 leaving his mother Agness as a widow; that his mother died March 10, 1849 leaving seven children now living namely William, David (affiant), Edward, John, Winny, Elizabeth & Maryann.

Javie Moore,