

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Adam Moyers R7477

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### State of Tennessee County of Union

Peter Moyers the son and heir of Adam Moyers and only living child so far as he has been able to ascertain makes the following Declaration in order to obtain a pension which was by the several acts of Congress do his father Adam Moyers at the time of his death for services in the Revolutionary War between the United States and Great Britain under the Act of 29<sup>th</sup> May 1830 Act of May 31<sup>st</sup> 1830, Act of June 1832 and all the extensions of those acts up to the death of his father and the said Peter Moyers states that his father from information both from himself and those who knew him was a private in several tours in the said War that he has often heard the said Adam assert that he had served several different Tours, and that in moving from Virginia to Tennessee that in crossing a river his papers all got destroyed and the discharges of the several tours were lost with the other papers of said Moyers: declares that he has heard his father often relate the scenes and services in said War: that he has forgotten the different officers under whom he served but has been able to prove or identify one of them by Israel McBee a Revolutionary pensioner whose deposition he has taken and files to wit Colonel Abraham Bluford [Abraham Buford] of the Virginia troops: Said Adam Moyers spoke frequently during his lifetime of a pension from the government of the US, but the loss of his discharges and ability to live without it induced him to refuse or neglect any application up to his death which happened in Green County State of Tennessee in the year 1842 the month Applicant is unable to state but thinks it was in September or October 1842. Applicant states that he is the son of the said Abram Moyers and that he is the only living son or daughter so far as he is able to learn and he declares that he believes himself the only living heir of the said Adam Moyers: he further states that he has heard his father say that he was in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781], and the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and in the Battle of Bunker Hill [June 17, 1776] besides others Applicant cannot now recollect: has heard him say that he had served in all some four years or more: your Applicant further states that his mother the widow of said Adam Moyers died in Green County State of Tennessee the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1848, and that neither his father or mother ever made any application for order drew any pension from the Government of the US for the services of the said Adam from the fact of the loss of their papers and their inability thereby affording the necessary proof to the Department to entitle them thereto and your Applicant recently learned where Israel McBee lived and by his testimony & the parole he hopes the Department will be able to arrive at satisfactory conclusions of the services of Applicant's father Adam Moyers as private and part of the time a Teamster in the Services of his country against Great Britain in the Revolutionary War. Applicant Peter Moyers is now living in this County his age is about sixty-four years and is the youngest child of his deceased parents if the others are living: but has made do you exertion and can find none others living and believes none

others are alive at this time: but three others were living at the death of his father and they are entirely unknown if living to your Applicant.

State of Tennessee County of Union April the 17<sup>th</sup> day 1856: This day personally appeared Peter Moyers with whom I am personally acquainted with oath in due form of law that the facts stated in the foregoing Declaration are true: I being a Justice of the peace in and for said County and duly authorized by the laws of the State of Tennessee to administer oaths to any person: I do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with the said Peter Moyers and that he is a man entitled to full faith and credit and that I am not interested either directly or indirectly in the claim for the pension he has commenced prosecuting.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1856

S/ Elijah Evans

S/ Peter Moyers, X his mark

State of Tennessee Union County: On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1856 personally appeared before me Elijah Evans an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Israel Macbee<sup>1</sup> aged about ninety-four years who after being first duly sworn deposes and says that he was well acquainted with Adam Moyers in the Revolutionary War commenced [?] between the United States against Great Britain in the year 1776. I further state that I was well acquainted with the said Adam Moyers for several months in the said war, and he the said Moyers was a regular soldier belonging to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Abraham Bluford [Abraham Buford], and the last time I remember seeing Adam Moyers we was on our way from Petersburg to Charleston in the line of our duty.

S/ Israel Macbee, X his mark

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Be it remembered that I have on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1856 proceeded to take the Deposition of Israel McBee a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States of America at his own house in said County aged nearly ninety-six years who after being duly sworn according to the laws of this State for taking testimony makes the following statement relative to the application of Peter Moyers for the pension due him for the military services of his father Adam Moyers in the Revolutionary War between Great Britain and the United States of America:

States that he was in the Virginia troops in the third Regiment commanded by Colonel Bluford: States that he saw and got acquainted with the said Adam Moyers at West Point and that he was then in the Services of the United States in the Revolutionary War and that the Army marched from there to Philadelphia: that the said Moyers marched with the Army to Petersburg that from there the Army marched to Santee River: States that the said Adam Moyers was a part of the time while in the War employed as a Waggon Master: was changed from this employment and put into the Army again: that Obadiah Burt was substituted as a Waggon Master in lieu of the said Moyers: that said Burt got killed at the hanging rock after the desecration [?]<sup>2</sup> & taking of Charlestown [Charleston, May 12, 1780] by the British: the troops returned to Camden and Colonel Bluford's and Colonel Haws Regiments were attacked by Colonel Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] with British at the Hanging Rock [Battle of the Waxhaws, May 29, 1780] and a great portion of them killed, marched by and stationed a short time at Monks Corner [Moncks Corner] and crossed Santee at News ferry [probably Leneud's Ferry], Col. Beaufords [sic] Regiment

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<sup>1</sup> [Israel McBee S2784](#)

<sup>2</sup> *desecration*

stopped a while at Petersburg and Colonels Hays, Heath and Parker marched forward and some of those changes I was separated from Adam Moyers and do not recollect of seeing him after we left Taylor's Ferry but I saw him at that Ferry and also on our March from Petersburg to that Ferry: how long he served in the Revolutionary War and in what particular actions he was engaged I cannot positively recall and name: but no that he was in the service with the Virginia troops and a part of the time with Colonel Bluford: under which particular Colonel he came into the Service or under whom he served all the time I cannot recollect nor do I know at what point nor by whom he was discharged: but recollect an incident that happened while we were stationed at Petersburg of getting a lick on the head from one of the subalterns and jerking the stick out of his hand attempted to return the blow when Moyers call my arm: and while preparations were making to arrest me, Moyers sent me in a hurry to the Forage Mater [?] to make my complaint: and on my return was met by a file of Soldiers: but on showing a line from the officer I was not molested further: this makes me know that I saw the said Moyers was acquainted with him while he was in the War and never forgot him afterward.

S/ Israel Macbee, X his mark