

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ute (Uta) Perkins R8118

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State of Illinois County of Hancock

On this first day of December in the year 1834, Personally appeared in open Court before the County Commissioners Judiciously sitting as a Court of Record within & for the County and State aforesaid Uta Perkins a resident of Carthage in the said County of Hancock & State of Illinois aged 73 years, last July, who being first duly sworn on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God according to law, doth on his oath, make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was Drafted in the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina as a private in the Militia of said County for the term of 2 months, & that he served the said 2 months and a Company commanded by Captain Joseph McDowell, that General Charles McDowell was Commander in Chief, Hugh Prevard [sic, Hugh Brevard] was Colonel and Francis McCastle, Major that he was drafted on the __ day of May in the year 1778, and, that he was in the service under the Command of the aforesaid officers 2 months that he was not engaged in any battles, that after being Drafted he was marched from the County of Lincoln to the County of Burke, Davidson Fort, at which place he remained his full term of service & received his discharge from his commanding officer which Discharge is now lost or Destroyed & this Deponent does not know what has now become of his said Discharge -- this Declarant further says that he returned from his place of service to his place of residence in the said County of Lincoln that after remaining a short time at home say 3 months this Declarant Volunteered in to do service in Captain David McFills [could be McFalls] Company for the term of 3 months that he was in the Service under the same Commander in Chief & the same Field officers as in the Term of service first above written that he so continued for the Term of 90 Days from the time of his said enlistment and, that the Army in which he was bound to serve was raised for the purpose of Defending the country against the common Enemy that after his Term of service (three months) expired he the said Declarant returned to his former place of residence in Lincoln County State of North Carolina that he removed from the County of Lincoln in the year 1779 to the County of Abbeville State of South Carolina at which place he resided 12 months. That from Abbeville he removed to the County of Pendleton South Carolina at which place he resided 5 years & from thence he (the said Declarant) went to the County of White in the State of ~~West~~ Tennessee, where he continued to live for the space of 20 years, that he (the said Declarant) removed from the State of Tennessee, White County to the State of Illinois that he (the said Declarant[]) remained in the County of Morgan in the said State of Illinois for 2 years, that from Morgain [sic] County he came to the County of Hancock in said State of Illinois in the year 1828, at which place he has continued to reside until the present time,

and he (the said Declarant) hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, Except the present and he (the said Declarant) declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state.

Interrogatories propounded by the court.

First Where & in what year were you born

Answer by Declarant. I was born in the County of Lincoln in the State of North Carolina in the year 1761 on the 15th day of July.

Have you any record of your age & if so where is it.

Answer I have not Except such as was kept by my parents in a large Bible where I have seen my birth & age recorded, which said record is now lost or Destroyed & my knowledge of my age is from memory, received from seeing it in said Bible

Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary war; and where do you now live

Answer I was living in the County of Lincoln & I have lived in the County of Abbeville & Pendleton in South Carolina & in the County of White in the State of Tennessee & in the County of Morgain & Hancock in the State of Illinois

Fourth; How were you called into Service; were you drafted did you volunteer: or were you a substitute: and if a substitute, for whom.

Answer, I was Drafted or the first Term of service & I volunteered for the 2nd, making in all 5 months service

fifth; 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 General Charles McDowell was Commander in She Colonel Hugh Brevard, Major Francis McCastle, Captain Joseph McDowell, (of the Militia), Captain David McFalls, Lieutenant John Davison [sic, Davidson?]

Sixth Did you receive a Discharge from the Service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Answer. I did it was given me by Joseph McDowell Captain, for the first Term of service & from Captain David McFalls for the 2nd, which said Discharges have been lost or misplaced & destroyed, under the belief that they were not of any service to me.

Seventh State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity, and their belief of your service as a soldier of the revolution

Answer Tolbert Shipley, John Rogers, Charles Robertson

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court before the commissioners Sitting as a Court of Record the Day & year first above written.

S/ Ute Perkins

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[Charles Robertson, a clergyman, Talbert Shipley & John Rogers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]