

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Porter (Parter) R8352

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State of Illinois, White County Sct.} In the Circuit Court of said County October 1820

On the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1820 personally appeared in open court (being a Court of Record by a Statute of the State of Illinois now in force) for the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois Robert Carter aged Seventy years being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 that he the said Robert Carter received a commission as Captain of a company sometime in the commencement of the year 1776 in Rutherford County in the State of North Carolina in the line of Said State under the Command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford]; that he continued to serve as Captain aforesaid until about the middle of the year 1777; that he then received the commission of Major and continued to serve under said commission in that capacity until sometime about the last of the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy ~~eight~~ seven Continental establishment under the said General Griffith Rutherford when he was discharged from the said Service in the said year 1777 in the State of North Carolina but that his discharge was burnt by the Tories; that he was in the battle at Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] when Col. Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] was defeated and that he has no evidence now in his power of his said Services.

And in pursuance of the Act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled an Act provided for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

S/ Robert Parter

A Schedule of property belonging to be, Robert Parter on the ninth day of October 1820:

one cow and calf

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I am unable to pursue any occupation from inability and rheumatism. I have a wife who is blind and unable to assist me aged 80 years and have no other in my family and I myself am in such Indigent circumstances as to be unable to support myself without the assistance of my Country.

S/ Robert Parter

Sworn to and declared on the 9th day of October 1820 before me in open Court

S/ Jas. Ratcliff, Clk

[p 6: The above documents are certified by the clerk of court to be true copies of documents in his files. Consequently, the signatures of the veteran are not the originals but are in the handwriting of the clerk.]

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State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 31st of October 1822

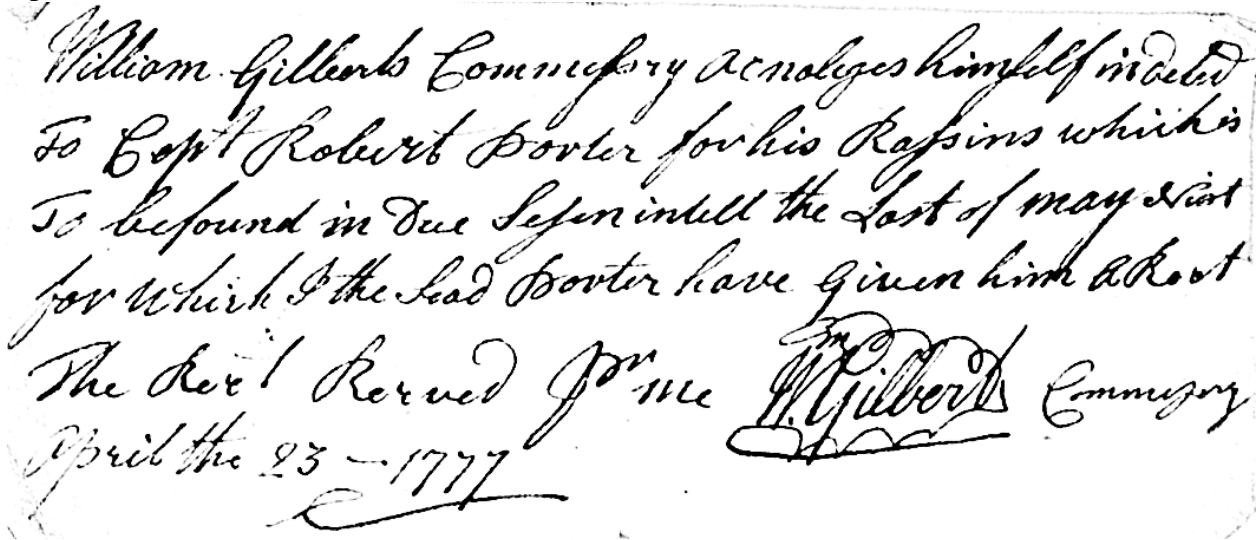
I William Hill Secretary of State in & for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that the name of Robert Porter does not appear on the muster rolls of the Continental line of this [State] in the revolutionary War.

Given under my hand at office the date above.

Wm Hill

"William Gilberts Commissary acnoliges [acknowledges] himself indeted [indebted] to Capt Robert Porter for his Rassins [rations] which is to be found in Due Sessn [session or season?] intell [until] the Last of May Nixt [next] for which I the Sead [said] Porter have Given him a Rect [receipt] The Rect Rerved [reserved?] pr me S/ Wm Gilbert, Commissary

April the 23—1777



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[p 15—"Roll of Capt. Robert Porter Co. of NC withdrawn & put with Revy war files of Rolls—For 1777." See [B27](#) ]

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War Department Pension Office

January 28, 1824

Honorable J B Thomas

US Senate:

The claim of Robert Porter has been examined and found inadmissible. He belonged to the militia Service only. As the law of March 18, 1818 under which he claims provides for no others' than those who served in the Continental Establishment he is not of course entitled to a Pension. The papers which you have sent here will remain on our files agreeably to the present regulations of this Department.

I am &c.

J. L. E. [JL Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions]