

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of James Quillin (Quillian) R8551

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State of Georgia, Habersham County

On this sixth day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Ordinary James Quillian a resident of said County, County of Habersham aged Seventy five years and Eight months who after 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 7, 1832. That he was drafted in the State of North Carolina Surry County (the year he cannot precisely recollect) he was drafted to serve nine months and was informed by the Colonel Martin Armstrong that any man who would hire a man to go for three years should have a discharge from duty for that length of time that this deponent hired one James Branham for the said term of three years and received from Major John Armstrong a Major in the Regular Service a discharge for three years which he has lost that he lived at the time as drafted in Surry County in the State of North Carolina that he several times turned out on small tours of duty and served for a few days occasionally but not under any regular engagement that according to the best information he has he was born as he thinks in 1757 in the State of North Carolina that after the revolutionary War he removed to South Carolina and remained for some time he then moved back to North Carolina from there to Virginia and from there to North Carolina again he then removed to Franklin County of Georgia from there to Habersham County in said State where he has resided ever since.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Jonathan D. Chastain, C. C.

S/ James Quillin, X his mark

[Thomas Bird, a clergyman, and Elisha Starr gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

An Amendment to the within Declaration

Georgia Habersham County: In open Court before the Court of Ordinary for said County on the 15th day of August 1833 personally appeared in open Court James Quillian who after being duly sworn deposeth and saith on oath that according to the best recollection which she has the time his substitute as stated in his declaration entered the service of the United States in 1777. This deponent further saith that he was on one tour of [word obliterated] ten days after the Battle at King's mountain as a guard under Colonel Armstrong. This deponent further states that from old age and the consequent loss of memory he is unable to state more particularly his services.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the date above written.

S/ Thomas J. Rusk, Clerk CO

S/ James Quillian, X his mark

[fn p. 10: On November 2, 1852, James Quillin, Jr., filed a power of attorney in Lumpkin County Georgia authorizing his attorney to pursue the claims of his father James Quillian Senior who died in 1838; and of his mother Sarah Waggoner who died in 1805; they having been married on November 4th, 1779 while residents of North Carolina; He states that he is 59 years old and that he is a resident of Franklin County Georgia.]

[In the War Department's letter dated 11/9/1922 responding to an inquiry about Quillian's service, the following appears:

“His claim was not allowed as he failed to furnish proof of six months service as required by the pension laws, no allowance for pension being made with those who sent substitutes.”]