

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Alexander R86

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Raleigh 10th of February 1824

Sir

I have carefully examined the muster rolls of the North Carolina Continental line in the revolutionary war, for the name of Isaac Alexander, and do not find it there on. I am of opinion from his Declaration that the service for which he claims a pension was performed (if performed in all) in the South Carolina line, as I do not find there was a Captain by the name of Thomas Alexander in the Continental line of this State, neither was William Polk a Colonel in the line of this State in the revolutionary war. He was a Major of the 9th Regiment, and I have lately heard him say, that he served in the South Carolina line in the early and latter part of the war, but did not mention his rank in that line.

Respectfully your obedient Servant

S/ Wm Hill [NC Secretary of State]

Jas. L. Edwards, Esquire
Chief Clerk Pension Office

[A letter dated June 7, 1834 from A.D. Hiller, assistant to the administrator of the War Department reads as follows:

"The Revolutionary War records of this office show that Isaac Alexander, of Georgia, made an application for pension under the Act of March 18, 1818. The claim was submitted from Elberton, January 16, 1824.

"It is shown that Isaac Alexander stated that he served first in the North Carolina line and was later transferred to the Maryland line, and cited Captain Thomas Alexander and Colonel William Polk as his officers.

"The Act of March 18, 1818, required that continuous service of 9 months view rendered in the Continental Line. Isaac Alexander failed to furnish proof of his alleged service and his claim was not allowed. The papers in his claim for pension were returned to Honorable Wylie Thompson, House of Representatives, through whom the claim was presented.

"This office has no further information in regard to this soldier, either personal or military, because of the return of his papers."]