

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Robinson R8884

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State of Virginia Greenville County to wit

On this 5th day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court of Greenville sitting John Robertson [sic] Esquire a resident of this County and State aforesaid aged sixty-nine years who 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 7th 1832.

That in the fall of the year 1779 he volunteered and served a tour of duty under Captain Henry Roberson in the militia from Brunswick County under the command of Colonel [name written over and illegible] Elliott [might be Capt. Richard Elliott] and marched to Cabin Point and in that neighborhood traveled up and down the River as necessity required.

That he was not then sixteen years old, served out his tour of three months – That about the 1st of May 1781, when Cornwallis was about to invade the state, he was again called into service under Captain Nathaniel Lucas, Major Robert Mabry & Captain Littleberry Robertson & rendezvoused at Belfield in the County of Brunswick, where the southern road along which the British Army was marching northerly crossed Meheirn River [Meherrin River] that we lay there until the 14th of May when our whole party was taken prisoner by a detachment of the British Army & he was discharged on parole, but was never exchanged until the end of the war. – That he has no documentary proof nor does he know of any person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services aforesaid.

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 the Agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Robinson



[John Goodrum and Francis Furguson [Francis Ferguson] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]