

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Sheppard R9490

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State of Alabama Butler County: County Court August Term 1832

On this the 13th of August personally appeared in open Court before James Lane Judge of the said Court now sitting Andrew Sheppard a resident of said County and State aged 75 years in November next, 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was born in Cumberlandshire of Scotland¹ in the year 1757 in November of 14 moved to the United [States] and about one year of age as he was told. When called into service he was living in Cumberland County North Carolina, and lived there till he moved to Georgia about 1792 – where he lived till he moved in 1818 –

He entered the service as a volunteer about the year 1779 for 3 months and was taken sick and hired a substitute by the name of Joseph Maples who served out the residue of the term and got the pay – his Lieutenant was by the name of Thomas Worthy, his Mr. Sheppard's Captain by the name of Charles Crawford, his Colonel was Thomas Mathews all of the County of Cumberland = He afterwards and in the same place volunteered and served a tour of 3 other months under the same Captain Charles Crawford. He marched into Chatham County – stopped at Ramsey's Mills in Deep River, a part of the company had an engagement with a party of Tories at Lindley's Mills,² his party was commanded by Colonel Butler [sic, General John Butler] & Mayborn [sic, probably a reference to Robert Mebane], the Tories were commanded by Colonel Fanin [sic, David Fanning] & McNeil [sic, Hector McNeill], the [latter] of whom was killed and the former wounded in the action –He was discharged from the service by the Captain which he supposes to be long since lost or destroyed. He has no documentary evidence of his services nor does he know of any one man living by whom he could prove his services. I am known in the neighborhood where I now live to a number of people in my neighborhood who can testify to my veracity – & their belief of my services – 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 and subscribed, the day & year aforesaid

¹ Sic, the only Cumberlandshire I could find is in North West England, not in Scotland

² September 13, 1781 http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_lindleys_mill.html

S/ A. Sheppard

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Sheppard', written in a cursive style.

[James Miller, a clergyman, and Matthew Cook gave the standard supporting affidavit.]