

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Barnett S1165

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State of Kentucky Green County: Sgt.

On this 21st day of January in the year 1833 personally appeared in proper Session in the Green County Court Andrew Barnett aged 72 years, who being a resident citizen of said County, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in the revolutionary war as a soldier in the State of South Carolina in the Cambden [Camden] district in the year 1776 in a company commanded by Captain Dunlap in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Gadson [sic, Gadsden], marched to Charleston and was there during the time the battle was fought at Sullivan's Island -- in this tour he served about two months, he entered into the service as a militia man in said year about a month before the battle at Sullivan's Island he thinks he had no regular written discharge, after this service -- he again entered the service in a company commanded by either Rodgers or Dunlap, he remembers that Major Thompson commanded the Battalion, he thinks that Colonel Marshall of lynch's [Lynches] Creek commanded the Regiment, this service was in the year 1779, and in this tour he served between three and four months, and marched with the troops to engage with British at Stono [Stono Ferry] but before they reached that place they met the other troops of the American Army returning. In the year 1780 he entered the service again in said State & district in a company commanded by Captain Caldwell and in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Locke, during this tour he was engaged at Ramsour's Mills¹ North Carolina, this was after the fall of Charlestown² & the British had got possession of the State of South Carolina -- this was a short time, not more than a month, after this he again returned to South Carolina and joined the Army under General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter], this was also in the summer of 1780. That he served in Winn's Regiment under the command of Captain Dunlap & Major Thompson and was in the battle of Rocky Mount,³ in this service under General Sumter he continued until his defeat in the summer of 1781 [sic, 1780] which happened two days after Gates defeat at Camden,⁴ making in this tour about one years service. He was at the battle of

¹ June 20, 1780 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/ramsours.htm>

² May 12, 1780

³ July 23, 1780 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/rockymt.htm>

⁴ Sumter was defeated at the Battle of Fishing Creek on August 18, 1780 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/fishingcreek.htm>.

Camden⁵ in South Carolina under General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]; the next day after the attack on Biggin Church⁶ near Moncks Corner he joined the troops under the command of General Marion and continued with him in service about three months, he then joined General Sumter, and continued with him until the close of the war. In fact he stated was that he was scarcely ever out of the service, for the Tories and British having overrun the country the people who were friendly to liberty were required to be continually on the watch & under arms; such was the confusion in those days that the troops scarcely ever were regularly discharged, he had no written discharges for any of the various tours served by him, nor does he know of any person except his brother William Barnett⁷ by whom he can prove his services above stated, he has no documentary testimony to prove his services aforesaid. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present, and declares his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ A Barnett and

State of Kentucky Green County

On this 21st day of January 1833 William Barnett a resident citizen of Green County Kentucky aged 74 years next May, appeared in the Green County Court in proper person and made oath in due form of law that, he was with his brother Andrew Barnett in the several of the engagements mentioned in his declaration in which he acted and served as a soldier, to wit he was with him in the engagement at Ramsour's Mills, battle of Camden under General Greene, the battle in which Sumter was defeated, he also, the knows that on several other campaign, his said brother, was reported to have served in the revolution, and he does not doubt the fact he was himself wounded in the battle of Ramsour's Mills -- together with another brother who served in said action who died of his wounds received at that battle.

Sworn and subscribed the day & year above written.

S/ W. Barnett

State of Kentucky Green County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for the County of Green and State of Kentucky, Andrew Barnett, who being duly and legally sworn by me, deposeth & saith, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades. For three years three & a half months I served as a common soldier, and in no other grade did I serve, during the entire service above mentioned; and for such service I claim a pension --

The said Barnett further made oath before me that according to his father's family register, kept in a family Bible he was born on the 23rd day of November in the year 1761 in the State of South Carolina -- that he had no record of his age, except the record which he had made from his father's family register.

When called into service of the United States during the American Revolution it in the district of Camden State of South Carolina in the Waxhaw Settlement -- since the revolutionary

General Horatio Gates was defeated at the first Battle of Camden on August 15 -- 16, 1780
<http://battleofcamden.org/index.htm>

⁵ Battle of Hobkirk Hill April 25, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/hobkirk.htm>

⁶ July 16, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/bigginch.htm>

⁷ FPA S30846

war he has resided in the State of Kentucky where he now resides in the County of Green -- I was acquainted with many other officers of the regular Army, who were in service, when and where I served to it, General Smallwood, General Marion, General Sumter, General Greene, The colonels he had heretofore stated; he was stationed with regular troops at Camden & New Providence.

I am known, to many persons in this County & in my neighborhood where I now live, who can testify as to my veracity and general character for truth, and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution, to wit, General [names written over and illegible] and others -- I omitted to state in my former declaration that I marched from New Providence in North Carolina under General Morgan to the taking of Rugeley's Mills⁸ in South Carolina and assisted in that service.

S/ Wm B. Allen, JP GC

[Thomas Lasley, a clergyman and Samuel Patterson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two years service in the South Carolina militia.]

⁸ December 4, 1780 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/rugeley.htm>