

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Harris S13312

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State of North Carolina

Iredell County

On this 24th day of May 1821. Before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for the said County of Iredell, personally appeared Thos. Harris who on his oath declares that he joined the continental army in April 1776 as a captain in the fourth North Carolina Regiment and served in that army for [page torn] years in which time he rose to the rank of Major he then on account of his health and other circumstances resigned his commission but afterwards went out in the Militia and acted as Aid to Gen. [Griffith] Rutherford and was wounded and taken prisoner at the Battle of Camden [16 Aug 1780] that he was put on the pension roll of the United States at the time that the Militia was admitted to the privilege that he never had a Certificate [page torn]ension [signed] Thos. Harris

State of North Carolina } We Subscribing Practicing Physicians in the County aforesaid being
Iredell County } appointed and commissioned by the Honourable Henry Potter Judge of the district of North Carolina to examine Major Thos. Harris a revolutionary invalid now on the pension roll of the United States and a claimant for an increase of Pension have cause said Harris to appear before us and having maturely considered his disability which was caused by two wound received in the service of the United States the one through the neck by a ball which by in a great measure a division of the Spinal nerves has in a great degree impaired the use of all his limbs and rendered him incapable of manual labour – the other through his thigh by which wounds we are of opinion that his strength and activity is impaired to the full amount of three fourths of total disability. [signed] Chas. Harris M.D.

Sworn and subscribed to before me J. H. Houston
this 25th day of May 1821.

[signed] D. G. Templeton

NOTE: Harris's pension certificate was addressed to him at Mount Mourne post office in Iredell County. The file contains a letter written by him on 4 Jan 1822 requesting a certificate as proof that he was receiving a pension. He died on 31 Aug 1826.