

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Herrin S13377

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State of Kentucky County of Hopkins: SS

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Hopkins County aforesaid now sitting John Herrin of residing in said County & State aged eighty-six 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

He states that he was born on Cape Fear River in North Carolina Cumberland County and removed thence to Pedee River South Carolina, thence to Cheraw Hill where he was drafted & served one month under Captain Dollison he cannot recollect dates.

He was again drafted and served nearly a month under Captain Miles [John Mills] of the South Carolina militia against Curry a Tory Colonel he served at & near the fork of Saluda & Broad rivers this was called the Snow or Snowy Campaign.<sup>1</sup> He states that a month was in South Carolina considered a tour of duty. That he was drafted and served another tour of one month at Cheraw Hill -- he Captain's name not recollected.

He served a tour of one month at Orangeburg in South Carolina (having been drafted, under Captain Moses Bond & Lieutenant John Pratt -- was discharged & returned home. He was again drafted & served three months under Captain M. Bond & Colonel John Winn was at the quartering house near Charleston at Pocataligo [sic, Pocotaligo], Coochehachie [sic, Coosawhatchie], Purinberg or Plusuyberg [sic, Purrysburg] within 12 miles above Savannah where he was discharged and returned home.

He afterwards moved to Edgefield County a district in South Carolina and was there drafted & served two months under Captain Richard Jones Lieutenant Colonel Purvis and Major Tutt, viz., one month at Bacon's bridge across the Ashley River does not recollect where he served the other month.

He afterwards volunteered and served six months under Captain John Carter Lieutenant Colonel Purvis & Colonel Leroy Hammons [sic, Leroy Hammond] served principally against the Tories on the Edisto, Black Swamp etc. in South Carolina -- a Colonel Cunningham was a Tory commander.

He states that he aided in capturing a Tory Captain whose name he does not recollect and

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_snow\\_campaign.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html)

many privates at the Black Swamp.

He was at the Siege of Augusta in Georgia he served there under Captain Richard Jones & Colonel Hammond seven weeks was at the taking of forts Galphin, Grierson & Cornwallis in & near Augusta [Siege of Augusta, May 22-June 6, 1781]. He saw during the siege a Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] of the Continental Army. He states that he is old & infirm & cannot recollect dates -- that he received various discharges but has lost them -- that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services -- after revolution he continued to reside in South Carolina until the removed to Hopkins County Kentucky where he now resides.

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 Herrin, X his mark

[Hugh Kirkwood and John Jackson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 27: Veteran was still alive on September 5, 1840 when he executed a power of attorney in Hopkins County Kentucky in which he then resided.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$54.44 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 16 months 10 days service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]