

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Morey (Mowry) S1568

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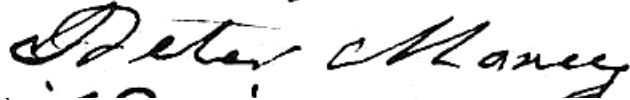
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State of Tennessee Knox County: On this 8th day of October 1833 personally appeared in open Court at a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting for the County and State aforesaid, Peter Mowry [sic] a citizen of said County aged seventy-three years who being sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of June 1832 – That he was born in Philadelphia County Pennsylvania on the 15th day of September 1760 where he lived but a few years when he moved to Augusta County Virginia, where he lived at the commencement – during the whole continuance and for some time after, the Revolutionary War. – That sometime in the latter part of the summer or early in the fall of the year 1780 he entered the Army of the United States as a drafted militia man in Augusta County Virginia and was enrolled at Captain Hays' in said County into a company commanded by Captain Thomas Smith who he thinks was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Campbell [perhaps William Campbell] – under these said officers he marched through the lower part of Virginia and was most of the winter in quarters in the upper part of North Carolina and sometimes scouting about through the country – applicant states that a great part of his time his company was detached from any Regiment and marched about wherever their duties might call them, or the services and safety of the Country might require – he states a short time before the battle of Guilford he joined the main American Army under General Green [Nathanael Greene] that he remained with the said Army and was in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781] after the battle of Guilford applicant remained about a week or ten days with the Army when the time for which he had entered the Army having fully expired he was discharged and went home. Applicant states that at no time during his service was he with any of the Continental troops until he joined the main Army before the battle of Guilford – he states that he was in no battle or engagement with the enemy at any time but at Guilford – he states that from the great lapse of time since his said service, his age and loss of memory, and his entire ignorance of the Country through which he marched, he is unable to give the particulars of his service more in detail than he has he feels confident however that he performed services in the American Army as a private drafted man for a period not less than six months for which he claims a pension – he states that he has no record of his age, but from the information of his parents he thinks he is as old as above stated – he states that the persons in his neighborhood who can testify to his veracity and his reputation for having performed services in the Revolutionary War are John Faust, Patterson Thompson, Moses Lisby and others – he states that there is no clergyman residing in his neighborhood – he states that he resided in Augusta County Virginia for ten or twelve years after the war when he moved to Sullivan County Tennessee where he lived about one year, when he moved to Knox County Tennessee where he has lived ever since – he states that he received a discharge when he left the Army from his Captain Smith, but he has long since lost it. He states

that he has no documentary evidence whatever of his said service nor does he know of any person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his 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.

S/ Peter Morey

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peter Morey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Peter Morey".

Sworn to and subscribed in open court this 9th day of October 1833.

S/ Wm Swan D. C.

[John Faust and Patterson Thompson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]