

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Ellit Wood: S1605

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State of Georgia } On this fifteenth day of October in the year Eighteen hundred &
DeKalb County } thirty three personally appeared in open court before the
Superior Court of said County of DeKalb now sitting Ellit Wood a resident of said State and
county aged Eighty one years who being duly Sworn according to law doth on his oath make
the following declaration in addition to the one made in October Eighteen hundred and thirty
two [see note before] in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832
that he entered the Army of the United States under the following named officers and served
as herein stated. In the year seventeen hundred and seventy eight he states he was drafted for
a six months Tour and entered the service under Capt. Francis Moore an officer of Militia and
marched from his residence in the state of Virginia Orange County, the distance of one
hundred and fifty or two hundred miles and met a company of regulars who had about a
hundred Hessians prisoners. they there were delivered to Capt More and then he was marched
to Albemarle County in Virginia to the Barracks. the prisoners were then put in the Barracks.
he states he then served six months as a guard the time for which he was drafted he then
received a verbal discharge and returned to his residence in Orange County in Virginia
he states near the close of the war he was called out again under the command of Capt
Tarrence an officer of the Militia but marched a very short distance before peace was declared.
he states he only served five days during that tour. He states he was in no general
engagements, he states he has no documentary evidence of his having served nor knows of no
person living who can testify as to his service He further states that during the time he served
as a guard & all other services he performed he was engaged in no civil pursuit. that he served
with an embodied corps and was called into service by competent authority. he states he
served six months in guarding the Barracks or garrison as above stated as a private. He states
he was born in Orange County Virginia he has no record of his age. he states that he has
resided the greater part of his time since the revolution in the state of Georgia he resided part
of his time in the County of Wilks [sic: Wilkes] & part in Morgan he removed from Morgan to
DeKalb where he now lives he states when he was called into service he was drafted and
served as a private He states he is known to Thos. Richardson Nimrod Argo Abraham Cytor[?]
Robert Miller all of whom can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and also of their
belief as to his service. 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 [signed] Ellit Wood

NOTES:

Wood's original declaration made 11 Oct 1832 is identical to the amended one except
that Francis Moore was said to have been a Captain in the regular service, and the name of his
second Captain was written as James Tarence.

On 26 Apr 1838 in Maury County TN Martha C. Wood, daughter of Ellit Wood, and
Alfred D. Howard, his son-in-law, deposed that Ellit Wood had moved to Maury County in 1835
and had not received his pension since 4 Mar of that year.