

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Booker S16054

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The State of OHIO. Madison County ss:

On this twenty third day of May AD 1843 personally appeared in open Court, Before the Court of Common Pleas now sitting, George Booker, a resident of the Township of Union in the County of Madison and State of Ohio, aged eighty 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, and served as herein stated: That he entered the service under Col Gaskin [sic: Thomas Gaskins] Major Willis, Capt Killpatrick [sic: Abraham Kirkpatrick] and Adj. [William] Eskridge; at the time of entering the service resided at Winchester Frederick County Virginia; that he was drafted into the service in the month of March AD 1781, for the term of eighteen months, and served the whole time, and left the service sometime in September AD 1782, joined the main Army at Albemarle Court-House under Gen'l. Steuben; marched from thence to James River where a skirmish ensued with Tarltons Cavalry and a body of Infantry [sic: Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton's Legion and troops of Lt. Col. John Simcoe at Point of Fork, 5-6 Jun 1781]; from thence marched to Coles' Ferry on Dann River [sic: Staunton River]; from thence marched towards Little York, was placed under the command of Gen'l. [Anthony] Wayne, continued the march reconnoitering the country and annoying the enemy under Lord Cornwallis, arrived at little York was engaged in divers skirmishes, continued there until his Lordship surrendered [19 Oct 1781]; that he marched from thence under the command of Gen'l. Phebacker [sic: Christian Febiger] to Cumberland Court-House, was stationed there during the winter under Colonel Parker; marched from thence to the Savannah River and joined the troops under Gen'l. Wayne at Ebenezer; from thence to Ogeechee where a skirmish ensued with a Body of Brittish troops [sic: probably with loyalists at Harris's Bridge on Ogeechee River, 20 May 1782] from thence back to Ebenezer, from thence towards the town of Savannah, had a skirmish with a body of Indians within five miles of the town [at Widow Gibbons's Mills at Sharon, 24 May], returned again to Ebenezer; from thence marched to South Carolina, joined the forces under Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] at Ashley Hills about twelve miles from Charleston; from thence to Cumberland Court-House, and was there discharged by Gen'l. [Charles] Scott, received a written discharge signed by himself; Served during the latter period of the Revolutionary War, some years after gave his discharge to Mr Curchaville of Stephensburgh [Stevensburg, now Stevens City] Frederick County Virginia for the purpose of obtaining some arrearages of pay, that it has not since been returned to this applicant; that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his servises, except Andrew Cypress [pension application W25468] whose affidavit is herewith transmitted to the department. 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.

George hisXmark Booker

Interrogatories prescribed by the Department.

- 1st That he was born in Frederick County Virginia about 15 miles from Winchester in the year 1769 [sic].
- 2^d That he has no record of his age.
- 3^d That he was living in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia when called into the service, since the Revolution, lived about twenty years in the County of Frederick aforesaid; removed from thence to the State of Ohio, lived about twelve years in the county of Ross, a short time in the County of Fayette and twenty two or three years in the County of Madison where he now lives.
- 4th Was drafted into the service.
- 5th That he can make no further statement with regard to regular officers or Militia Regiments than he

has made in the body of his declaration to which he refers.

6th That he did receive a discharge from the service signed by Gen'l. Scott which was left with a Mr Curcherville of Stephensburgh Va.

7th In the neighbourhood where he now resides is known to Stanley Watson, Phillip Lewis James Rankin, Thomas Jones, Robert Hume, George Phifer, John B Craney, William Jones, John Rouse, Aquilla Toland, P. McLene, Henry Warner, Nathan Bond, Alvah Winchester David Dunker and Stephen Moore.
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Personally appeared in open court Andrew Cypress who being duly sworn saith that in the year one thousand seven Hundred and eighty two he this deponent was personally present in a skirmish that took place near the town of Savannah in the state of Georgia with a party of Indians, that George Booker who this day made and subscribed a declaration for the benefit of the act of congress passed 7th June 1832 granting pensions to certain officers & soldiers of the Revolution was present in said skirmish and was at that time a soldier in the army of the united states, that he belonged to Col Poseys [Thomas Posey's] Redgmt, that this deponant was personally acquainted with said Booker when in the service, that the said Booker was drafted for eighteen months, that said Bugher served the whole of that period, Also that he knows that said Booker was in a skirmish with the British at Ogeechee Georgia state, and further this deponant saith not Sworn to and subscribed this 23rd day of May AD 1843 Andrew hisXmark Cypress

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse (<http://southerncampaign.org/pen/b81.pdf>) lists the following:

George Booker age 19, height 5 ft, light-brown hair, grey eyes, fair complexion, freckled, "scar on under lip," weaver, born and residing in Frederick County where he was drafted 20 Mar 1781 for 18 months. Sided on 28 May.