

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Thomas Adcock S1612

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State of Tennessee, Morgan County: County Court a Court of Record having power to fine & imprison  
April Term 1821

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1821 personally appeared in open Court in the Court aforesaid in the state aforesaid Thomas Adcock Aged about seventy eight or seventy nine Who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in Order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 and the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820 that he the said Commons Adcock enlisted in Anson County in the State of North Carolina at a little Town called Rockingham in the Company Commanded by Captain Rhodes [Joseph Thomas Rhodes] on the Fourth Regiment commanded by Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle] of the North Carolina Troops in the Revolutionary War said enlistment took place early in the year 1778 as he believes but being old he cannot precisely recollect that it was for nine months but that he Continued in said Corps in the service of the United States between twelve & eighteen months when he together with others was dismissed from service at Charlestown [Charleston] in South Carolina by General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] with permits to pass to their homes then to receive a Regular discharge as he then understood but he never got a regular discharge as had been promised him that he was in the battle of Stono ferry near Charleston South Carolina shortly after which he took Sick and was confined in the hospital at Charleston until at the time when he was discharged or dismissed aforesaid that he considers himself to be in reduced Circumstances and standing in need of the assistance of his Country for support that he has no other evidence now in his power of said service except the affidavit of Adry Hix And in pursuance of the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for Certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is Contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me Subscribed, the declarant further states that he is about seventy eight or nine years of age has no other means to support himself and family but by the labor of his hands and the labor of his family his occupation is farming his family consists of a wife by the name Elizabeth about sixty

years of age who by age and infirmity is unable to support herself by labor one daughter Betsy Adcock about Twenty years of age who is able to support herself the Declarant further states that the schedule of his property is as follows to wit: one horse beast of the value of \$40 two Cows of the value of \$20 Eight hogs of the value of \$12 five plates one dish five forks and two knives one pot one pail three tin cups one bason about one half dozen chickens, one axe one hoe one half dozen of spoons perhaps a few other articles not recollected in all not amounting to more than \$15 the aggregate value of which \$87.

S/ Thomas Adcock, X his mark

On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1821 personally appeared in open Court Adry Hiks [sic, Hix] of Morgan County & State aforesaid of full age who being duly sworn according to law upon his oath states he was acquainted with Thomas Adcock in Anson County in North Carolina about the year 1778 that he knows that the said Thomas Adcock was in the service of the United States and believes as an enlisted soldier that he was absent from home nine months that the annexed schedule contains a true account of the age and abilities of his family and also of the articles and value of the articles and value of his property that he has been long acquainted the declarant that he believes the facts stated in the foregoing declaration are true and that the declarant is entitled to full Credit upon oath.

S/ Adry Hix

State of Tennessee, Morgan County: Circuit Court

On this third day of September personally appeared before the Circuit Court of the County and State aforesaid being a Court of Record Thomas Adcock a resident of the County of Morgan and State of Tennessee aged about seventy one who being first duly sworn according to law doth, on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832, that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 or 79 under Colonel Charles Mudloch [sic, Charles Medlock] in the fourth Regiment of the line under the following named officers, General Lenner [? William Lenoir?], Colonel Archie or Archibald Lytle, Captain Rhodes that the above named officers as well as now recollected commanded when he left the service, that he enlisted for the term of nine months and was kept in the service about nine months after his term of enlistment expired in all about 18 months that he resided in Anson County North Carolina when he entered the service, that he was engaged in the battle at Stono between Charleston and Purysburg [Purrysburg], also they had an engagement on Savannah River in South Carolina, that he marched from Anson County North Carolina to Camblin [sic, Camden?] town, thence to Moncks Corner thence to Charleston thence Purysburg thence crossed the Georgia line thence marched up the Savannah River [to] Augusta Georgia thence marched down River to Stono, that also he served about two years as militia volunteer under Colonel Thomas Wade, Captain William Wall, that he was in one engagement at Bathys' [sic, Beatti's] Drowning Creek, that [he] entered the last service in the aforesaid County and State, he marched from said County into South Carolina at the place then called the beauty spot thence to North Carolina on Deep River to Hillsboro thence back to Anson County thence upon various scouting parties. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State that he has no documentary evidence of his services nor does he not know of any person living to prove the same by.

Sworn to, and subscribed this day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thomas Adcock, X his mark

3<sup>rd</sup> Sept. 1832

S/ James W. Lea, Clerk

State of Tennessee, Morgan County: County Court April Term 1833

Amended declaration of Thomas Adcock

Personally appeared in open Court before Samuel Scott, Daniel L. Lavender & John Williams,

Esq., composing the quorum Court it being a court of Record having a clerk & seal, Thomas Adcock, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; for one year and six months as a private volunteer militia man also served 18 months as a regular soldier nine months of last mentioned services as Corporal the balance of the time as private applicant was born in Queenham [sic, Queen Anne?] County State of Maryland in the year 1761 as well as he recollects, applicant has no record of his age, applicant states that the names of the following of his regular officers, Col. Medlock, Maj. [illegible name, could be Speed], Captain Hunter, Colonel Crawford, Captain Wall, Captain Moses [illegible name, could be Chambry or Chambers], , Colonel Wade, does not recollect all the Regiments, applicant received one discharge only but has lost it, said discharge was given by Colonel Lincoln applicant never received a commission – applicant states that the names of the following persons and neighbors who can testify as to his character for veracity and that he served as a soldier of the revolution to wit Nathaniel Metton, Mathias Williams & others and for such service I claim a pension.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thomas Adcock, X his mark

S/ Thomas S. Lea, D. Clerk

State of Tennessee, Morgan County: September term of the Circuit Court for 1833

Personally appeared in open Court Thomas Adcock & after being duly sworn according to law, makes the following amendment to his original declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act passed last aforementioned the benefit of the old revolutionary soldiers, that he served as a private soldier of the revolutionary war in the militia under Colonel Wade, Captain William Wall was applicant's first Captain, that he entered the service in Anson County North Carolina at Haley's ferry, applicant was marched from thence directly to a place called beautys spot where the courthouse was in South Carolina distance of about 50 miles, applicant was continued there but a few days – was then marched back through the Country into North Carolina to a place called Ash pole in pursuit of the British & Tories, was thence marched to Beaty [sic, Beatti's] Bridge in Anson County on Drowning Creek where applicant was in an engagement, in this engagement there was one of the Americans killed & several wounded, applicant was then marched about 100 miles on Deep River not far from Hillsborough at Ramsour's Mill [sic, Ramsey's Mill] where applicant was in another engagement there was several killed on both sides, applicant was marched down Deep River & about through the Country until the expiration of six months, for which term applicant was drafted he was then discharged by Captain Orr who then commanded applicant then went home, where he remained but a short time when applicant volunteered under Moses Chambers Captain in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Speed in this tour applicant was stationed at different points on Pedee River to keep the British from crossing the River who were on the opposite side of the River at Camblain [?] Court House, that he was first stationed at Haley's Ferry on said River, the principal part of this tour, sometimes was marched below then above as a guard, applicant was continued three months in this tour, was then discharged by Captain Chambers, then went home, and a short time applicant volunteered again under Captain Wall, Colonel Crawford & Major Speed then commanded, applicant served six months this last tour as a light horseman, to act as Rangers through the County of Anson was stationed at no particular place, was some times marched across to South Carolina was watching the Tories and routing them whenever they moved gather [sic] , had several small skirmishes no major engagements after applicant served six months was then discharged, then went home where he remained but a short time when he again volunteered as guard, for the term of three months, was stationed at Maskes [sic, Masks'] Ferry upon Pedee a part of the time, the balance of the time at Bluit's Ferry upon Pedee, applicant continued in this last tour three months under Captain Wall & Colonel Crawford was discharged, applicant served with

an embodied corps called into service by [illegible word, intended to be "competent"] authority that he was continually kept in active service in the above tours for the term of eighteen months and for the time during which the service was performed, he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1833.

S/ Thomas Adcock, X his mark

The name of Thomas Adcock does not appear on the muster rolls of the North Carolina Continental line. Given under my hand this 1 December 1821.

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 18 months service as a private in the North Carolina service.]