

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Bedwell S16321

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State of Indiana Sullivan County: SS

On this 13th day of August personally appeared in open court before Josiah Marvin the Court of Probate now sitting Robert Bedwell a resident of Indiana and the County of Sullivan therein aged seventy-three years in February last 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 was drafted in the service of the State of North Carolina in the County of Rowan in which County and State he resided at the time of his being drafted. The date of which was in May of the year 1780. The term for which he was drafted was three months the service of which was performed under the command of Captain Snoddy Lieutenant James Hollinsworth and attached to Major Fields Battalion and served four months and was discharged by his Lieutenant Hollinsworth. In the above service of the applicant was in two engagements the first of which was at the Hanging Rocks [sic, Hanging Rock?¹] Colls Old Fields. The second was Gates defeat² in both of the above engagements the applicant was under the above named Company Officers. On the first of November in the year 1780 The Applicant volunteered under the command of Captain Smith of Burke County North Carolina for the term of three months and served the same and was discharged in Salisbury in said State the company in which applicant mustered was attached to the Brigade commanded by General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene?].

In August of the year 1781 the Applicant again volunteered for 60 days and served two months and a half the said time was served under Captain Lopp [probably John Lopp] of Rowan County and Lieutenant Boathenhammer [sic, probably William Bodenhammer or Bodenheimer] – And then was discharged.

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 to his knowledge. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Robert Bedwell, X his mark

[James Love, a clergyman, and George Boon, John Benefiel and Moses Milam gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

¹ August 6, 1780. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/hangingrk.htm>

² August 16, 1780. <http://battleofcamden.org/index.htm>

The Court put the necessary and requisite Interrogatories which were answered by said applicant as follows (to wit)

Answer to 1st interrogatory

In the State of Delaware in the year 1759 10th February

Answer to 2nd Interrogatory – he has and it is in the State of Virginia

Answer to 3rd Interrogatory

In North Carolina, since in Virginia 3 years Kentucky now in the State of Indiana.

Answer to 4th And arrived a Tory

first drafted then volunteered 3rdly & lastly volunteered.

Answer to the 5th Interrogatory

1st under General Rutherford, 2nd under General Sumter at the hanging rock Battle, at Coles Old fields; Rutherford came on with a new recruit and I then went under him again, and was attached to the division then commanded by General Gates, and continued with or under him until Gates defeat at or near Colonel Rugeley's Mills and there discharged 2nd under Captain Smith at Waxhaws (hence to Pedee River thence to Salisbury and there discharged. 3rd under Captain Lopp in Rowan County North Carolina, then marched to Deep River thence near to Cross Creek thence marched to Rowan County and discharged.

Answer to 6th Interrogatory

he Answers in the affirmative and says he got 31 and from Lieutenant Hollinsworth, one from Captain Smith and Captain Lopp all of which are lost

Answer to 7 interrogatory

James a Reid George Boon Jesse Beck Wendell Hinkle, Philip Henkel, John Benefiel, Matthew McCammon.

State of Indiana Sullivan County

Personally appeared in open Court, on this 11th day of February A.D. 1833, Robert Bedwell, an amended the declaration to which this is attached, of the 13th of August A.D. 1832 as follows, to wit, The Applicant states that he has no other living testimony or documentary Evidence to his knowledge except that of John Bedwell, whose testimony is hereto annexed. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court.

S/ Robert Bedwell, X his mark

State of Indiana Sullivan County: Personally appeared before me Josiah Mann Judge of the Court of Probate, in and for said County, John Bedwell and after being duly sworn, Deposeth and saith; That he is well acquainted with the above named Robert Bedwell; and that he is knowing to the applicant serving the two last terms as set forth in his above declaration.

February 11th, 1833

Sworn to in open Court

S/Josiah Mann,

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$31.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

[fn p. 30: the Bounty Land Record Card of William Bedworth, Private "in the Invalids" Warrant No. 12827, for 100 acres, issued December 8, 1791 to Sarah Brickett, Executor is erroneously attached to this file.]