

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Fretwell S16384

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State of Georgia } Ss

Newton County }

On this Twenty-fourth day of December Eighteen hundred and Thirty-two, personally appeared before the Inferior Court of the aforesaid County and State, Richard Fretwell, a resident of Newton County and State of Georgia, aged Eighty years, who being 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 enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six, with Capt. [John] Holcombe, and served in the fourth regiment of the Virginia line, under the following named Officers: I enlisted and served under Capt. Holcombe, Majors Bell [sic: Isaac Beall] and Blount, Colo. Robert Lawson, Brigd'r. Gen'l. Charles Scott, and Gen'l. George Washington, Commander in Chief.

I resided in Cumberland County State of Virginia, at the time I entered into the service of the United States; I went into the service in seventeen hundred and seventy seven, and was regularly discharged in the spring of seventeen hundred and seventy eight, by Gen'l. Charles Scott; having hired a substitute for the remaining part of the 3 years for which I had enlisted.

I march'd to the North through Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey to the Hudson River.

I was not in any engagement during the time of my enlistment, being employed in the Armory repairing guns, &c. After my discharge, I was in the service during the War, as a volunteer, under Capt. Ambrose Nelson, Lieut. John Woodson, Ensign Benjamine Allen [sic: Benjamin Allen]. I was in the Battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] under the aforesaid Officers, and Colo. Holcombe and Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene].

My dwelling house and all my goods and papers together with my discharge from the Army was burned up in this State, (Georgia) in Seventeen hundred and Eighty-nine, in the month of February.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State. Richard hisXmark Fretwell