

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Millar (Miller) S16486

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State of Kentucky Clarke County Sct.

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Clarke County Court now sitting it being a court of record, George Miller a resident of Clarke County and State aforesaid aged seventy years last May 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

In the fall of the year 1780, I think about the first of September in said year I was drafted in a company of militia raised in Shenandoah County Virginia. Said company was commanded by Captain Jacob Rinker. The Lieutenant was named George Rinker. We rendezvoused at Hillsboro where General Stevens [Edward Stevens] had the command of the Virginia militia. We were marched into South Carolina and joined the Army which was commanded by General Gates [Horatio Gates] and after he left it by General Greene [Nathanael Greene]. I encamped with the Army at the Cheraw Hill, Greene being the commander, where we took up winter quarters, and having remained there some time – I marched with the Army toward Salisbury and after a few days March we fell in with the Corps commanded by Brigadier Morgan [Daniel Morgan] and after our junction with Morgan we had a small engagement with the British in crossing the Yadkin [River] at a place called the trading ford. About two weeks before the battle of Guilford, I together with others belonging to the company of Captain Rinker were ordered to guard some prisoners, and take them to Albemarle Barracks, to perform which duty we were detached from the Army, and having conducted the prisoners safe to said Barracks I was discharged on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March 1781 at which time I got a written discharge and certificate from my said Captain Jacob Rinker which is hereto annexed. The only regular officers that I remember whilst with Greene's Army were Colonel Washington and Colonel Lucas. I served as a private the tour of six months from the time I entered the service until I was discharged, being two tours of duty of three months each. I was born in Shenandoah County Virginia on the 24<sup>th</sup> of May 1762. I have seen a record of my age in my father's Bible, but I have none myself. I lived in said County and State aforesaid when I was called into service and until the year 1794 at which time I moved to Kentucky and have been living in this State ever since. All the time in Clarke County except three months in the State of Indiana – and I am now a resident of Clarke County and State of Kentucky. It has been about eleven years since I lived in Indiana three months.

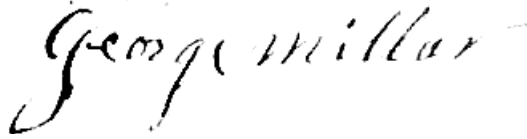
I know of no person living by whom I can prove my services in the revolutionary war. The foregoing document is all the positive evidence that I have. But I can prove by the Reverend Thomas Boone, James Miller, James Muir and Silas Evans and Reverend James Edmonson to

whom I am known in my present neighborhood, their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution, and my character for veracity and truth.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ George Millar



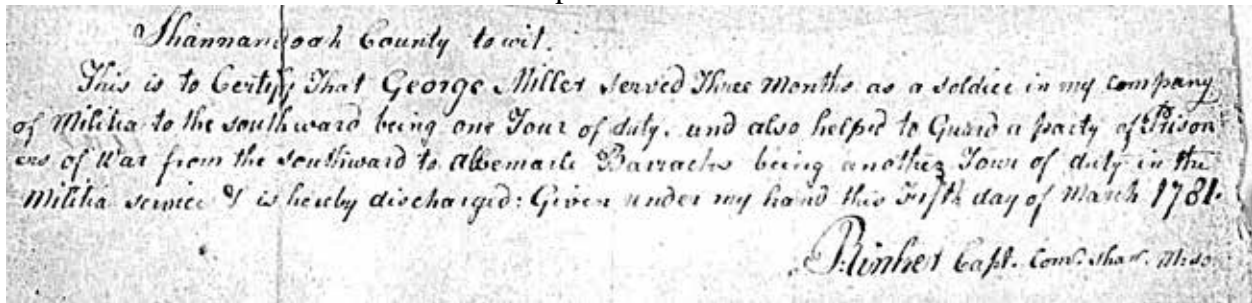
[James Edmonson, a clergyman, and James Miller gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]