

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Solomon McCampbell

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State of Tennessee Knox County: SS

On this 15th day of August 1832 Personally appeared in open Court before me Samuel Powell one of the Judges of law and equity in and for the State of Tennessee and for the first Judicial Circuit in the Circuit Court now sitting Solomon McCampbell a resident of said County and State in the County and State aforesaid aged seventy-nine 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 officers and served as herein stated.

He lived in Rockbridge County Virginia at which place in the Summer of 1776 as he believes he volunteered as a private under Captain Alexander Telford [Alexander Tedford] there was no Colonel we were stationed at Carrs Creek to protect the frontier against the Indians served at that time three weeks and was honorably but verbally discharged.

Again while living at the same place he thinks in the last of June or first of July 1776 volunteered under Captain Charles Campbell in a company of volunteer Riflemen the number of the Regiment and name of the Colonel not recollected. Rendezvoused at Lexington and marched to Richmond thence to Pamunkey River thence to Smithfield on James River thence to Cabin Point on James River thence below Jamestown and then returned to Petersburg was there honorably but verbally discharged treated to a barrel of Rum and told we might go home Served at this time three months.

Again while living at the same place he thinks in February or March 1781 he volunteered under Captain Alexander Telford in a company of Riflemen in Colonel John Boyer's Regiment Rendezvoused at Colonel Samuel McDowell's Marched to Charlottesville then ranged through different parts of the Country till we went into the neighborhood of Richmond to deep River Church we were scarce of provisions and were discharged honorably but verbally. Served two weeks.

While still living at the same place he thinks about the 19th of June 1781 he volunteered in a Company of drafted men under Captain David Grey in Colonel Samuel Lewis' Regiment of Riflemen in General Muhlenberg's Brigade Rendezvoused at Lexington Marched to Richmond there joined the main Army thence to Pamunkey River crossed it lay about two weeks then returned and marched to James River thence to James town there crossed the River in the French barges. Thence to Williamsburg thence into the neighborhood of little York lay there till Cornwallis surrendered [October 19, 1781] he was then honorably but verbally discharged served four months.

Again while living at the same place while he was serving the last tour of duty he received a letter from his father stating that he was drafted for six months and in about five days

after the last tour was out he joined his company in Richmond under Captain Smith who commanded the six months men he then received a furlough till the 18th of November at which time he returned to Richmond and was honorably discharged which discharge was signed by General Davis and is lost. He may be mistaken as to the dates above mentioned but is certain he served the full time there mentioned which amounts in all to nine months and five days. He has no documentary evidence, and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his actual he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or all except the present, and declares his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

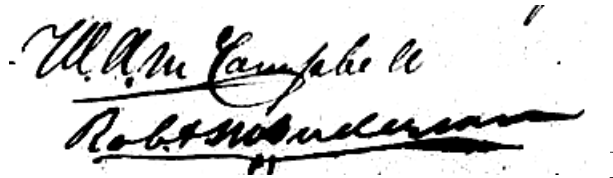
Sworn to in Open court 15th August 1832

S/ William Swan, Clk

S/ Solomon McCampbell



[W. A. McCampbell, a clergyman, and Robert M Anderson gave the standard supporting affidavit.



State of Tennessee Knox County: SS

On this 6 day of April 1833 Personally appeared before me an acting Justice of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for said County Solomon McCampbell a resident of said County and State in the said County of Knox and State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his declaration for a pension which declaration was made in the Circuit Court for said County and State and bears date August 15th 1832 and was numbered in the War Department No. 5986 and sent back for amendment. That he was born either in the County Down or County Entrum [County Antrim] in Ireland on the 17th day of July 1753. He has a record of his age at home in his family Bible. He thinks General Washington was commander in chief at the siege of York and General Lafayette and Baron Steuben both had a command at York. He thinks that General Wain [Anthony Wayne] was wounded by one of his own sentinels at James town at the time of the siege. He does not recollect the name of any other regular officers who were with the troops where he served nor the names or numbers of any Continental or militia Regiments except what is stated in his former declaration and this amended one. He is acquainted in his present neighborhood with Joseph Meek Esquire Robert M Anderson Esquire, Reverend Isaac Anderson, Colonel James Anderson and Jonathan Douglass all of whom he believes would testify that they believe him to be a man of veracity and that they believe he served as a soldier of the Revolution. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Joseph Meek, Justice of the Court of Pleas

S/ Solomon McCampbell

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30.55 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 9

months & 3 days service as a private in the Virginia militia.]