Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Rowley McMillon (Rawley McMullen) S16945 f17GA
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Pleas held at the Court house of Union County in the Sixth Judicial Circuit of the State of Indiana, on the first Monday of September in the year of our Lord 1832, before the Honorable Charles H Test President judge of said Circuit, and Robert Swann and Daniel Ogden his associate Judges of said County of Union.

Be it remembered that on the Sixth day of the Term aforesaid came personally into open court Rowley McMillon, and filed his declaration in this behalf in these words and figures, To wit, –

State of Indiana Union County SS: In the Union Circuit Court September Term A.D. 1832 On this Eighth day of September 1832 personally comes into open court, before Charles H. Test President judge of the Sixth judicial circuit, and Robert Swann & Daniel Ogden his Associates, Judges of the said County of Union, and of the Court aforesaid now sitting, Rawley McMillen a resident of the County Union aforesaid and State of Indiana, aged Eighty-two 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, that is to say, the said McMillen entered the State Troops of Georgia, called the "State Legion" on or about the 13th day of March 1781 for the Term of three years, or during the War, in a company commanded by Capt. Morrison [John Morrison] and Lieut. Thomas Hamilton and Ensign Henry Allison, in the Regiment commanded by Lt. Col. James Jackson, the Commander in the Georgia State Legion; that after said Enlistment he continued faithfully to serve, for the Term of about 15 months, until the close of the War, at which time he was honorably discharged by Thomas Hamilton Lieut., Henry Allison Ensign and the said James Jackson, and received from said officers a written discharge which he herewith sends to the War department for its inspection dated 12th of June 1782. That said Rowley McMillen was, at the time he enlisted in the aforesaid, a resident of Abbeville County in South Carolina: That he was in the Battles near Midway¹ in Georgia: That he was in seven small skirmishes, under General Anthony Wayne, most of them were: That the place of rendezvous was in Augusta, Georgia; that he marched from thence to the Savannah River to the Two Sisters [ferry] -- and from thence down to the Main Army: Thence to the British line where he remained engaged in the skirmishing parties of which he speaks: That he does not recollect the distinctions of military service sufficiently well to state which Continental troops he

¹ Midway Church, November 24, 1778 http://www.revolutionary-war-and-beyond.com/north-carolina-wins-the-battle-of-midway-church.html

served with: The names of the officers whom he knew, General Wayne and his own are all that he can at this time call to memory. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on any pension Roll of the agency of any State. Sworn and subscribed to in open court on this 8th day of September 1832

S/ Edghill Burnside, Clerk

S/ Rowley McMillon²

[Edghill Burnside and John Speer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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"I hereby certify that Rowley McMullen have duly and faithfully Served his time of inlistment is Discharged the Georgia State Legion, during which time the said McMullen has behaved himself on all Occasions as a good and Brave Soldier, and a Worthy Citizen of the United States.

Augusta 13 June 1782

S/ Thos Hamilton, Lieut.

S/ Henry Allison, Capt.

S/ James Jackson, Lieut. Col.

Commt. G. S. Legion"

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months in the Georgia State Legion.]

² The veteran did not actually sign this version of this declaration, it being a copy made from the Court's records