

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jonathan Milkollin S16971

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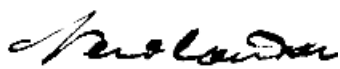
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State of Ohio Clark County SS

On this 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Please now sitting in & for said County, Jonathan Millhallan [sic] a resident of said County and State aged sixty-eight years who being first duly sworn up saith hand 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 named officers, and served as herein stated.

In the month of January or February he is not sure which in the year of our Lord 1781 he entered the service as a drafted Militia man under Captain John Bawler [probably John Bollar], of the County of Bottabort [Botetourt] in the State of Virginia (his Lieutenant's name he cannot now remember the Ensign's name he thinks was Gillispy) they were rendezvoused at Botetourt Court House (now Fincastle) where they were attached to three other companies of militia who were all placed under the command of Major Rollend [perhaps Thomas Rowland] under whose command we were marched to North Carolina passing through New London [?]¹ in Bedford County; to join the Army under General Greene [Nathanael Greene], and after we had reached the Army under General Greene, the four companies under the command of Major Rallen were lay under General Greene frequently detached, & sent out on scouts, and on one of those scouts at a place called Alamance, he thinks on the 28th day of February 1781 had a skirmish with a party of British in which six of our men were killed, and twenty-six of the enemy as was reported, our party had to retreat & were joined [?]² in our retreat by Colonel Lee's [Henry "Light Course Harry" Lee's] Corps of horse who were near at that time & frequently acted in concert with us. Their Battalion was afterwards attached to General Morgan's [Daniel Morgan's] light Infantry who were then commanded by Colonel Williamson [sic, Otho Williams], and on the 6th day of March³ had a skirmish with a party of British at a place called Reedy Fork. Some Companies of the North Carolina Militia having been attached, our party were commanded by Colonel Williamson we were beaten and had to flee in this skirmish some were killed on both

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³ On the 6th of March 1781, forces under the command of Colonel Otho Williams encountered forces under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton in what was called the Battle of Whitesell's Mill.

sides but he does not remember to have heard the number, they were constantly on the march and on the 15th of March were in the battle of Guilford under General Greene but shortly after the commencement of the Battle he with some others were detailed as a guard to guard the Baggage Wagons and when the Americans retreated, the baggage wagons were conveyed off safe about twelve miles distant where the Army made a stand, & he and his company were discharged & returned home their term of service having expired, but he does not now remember whether the tower [tour] was for three months or for two only, and in May following he again went out as a substitute for one Adam Kimberlake, under Captain Prior & Lieutenant James Armstrong, they were some time after marched to Staunton & from thence to Shartotsville [Charlottesville], from thence to Richmond and joined the Army under General Lafayette between Richmond & Williamsburg. General Wayne was also in command at the same time in the same Neighborhood or part of the Country, but whether he was with General Lafayette at the time or not he does not now know. They were variously employed in scouts & detachments [one or more indecipherable words]⁴ was in the Battle James Town under General Wayne on the 6th day of July, in which many persons were killed on both sides he thinks on the part of the Americans 400, General Wayne lost several pieces of his cannon our Army had to retreat and at the distance of a mile or 2 met General Lafayette with the Army under his command coming to our relief, and that night the Army encamped at the hickorynut [Hickory Nut] Church, we then crossed James River at a place called Westham, and marched thence to Petersburg, General Wayne was a long – he was discharged he thinks about the 10th of August between Richmond and Williamsburg his time of service having expired, he then returned home & on the 10th day of August 1782 he enlisted for 3 years under Sergeant Seth, of Captain Lebrun's [Le Brun de Bellecoeur] company, and was attached to General Armand's [Charles Armand's] Corps of light dragoons, in Staunton Augusta County Virginia, this core marched from Staunton to Winchester where they remained until cold weather and were ordered from thence to Fredericktown Maryland and from thence to Little York Pennsylvania where they remained until the fall of 1783 having been sixteen months from the time of his enlistment, when the Army was disbanded and all discharged, he with others, obtained written discharges that he has long since lost his discharge & has it not now in his power to produce he thinks that he also received discharges in writing from his officers on the fulfillment of his two towers of Militia duty as before discussed but has long since lost them also & he hath no record of his age nor has he any documentary evidence of his services now in his power to produce. He was born in the County of Loudoun Virginia, lived in Botetourt at the time he entered the service and after until the year 1788 from thence he removed to Kentucky, and in the year 1800 removed to the State of Ohio where he now lives in the County of Clark, though it was then Hambleton County. He states that he can prove his services by him rendered when on enlisted soldier, by the deposition [of] Joseph Horton who served with him in the same company & was also an enlisted soldier as per his deposition here with sent. He can also prove his first tower of service as a militia man as he has stated it by John Morris who now lives in the County of Clark, and who served with him in the same company, but is now sick as he is informed & not able to come to town, he further states that Thomas Davis of Green County of Ohio did also served with him in the same Corps during the time he was out as an enlisted soldier and that his testimony would be, he believes the same as the testimony of Joseph Horton whose deposition is enclosed. He states that when in the service he was frequently called by the name of McHallen, and that it may be his name may appear on the records or roles written McHallen if so he hopes

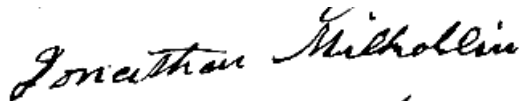
this explanation may be sufficient.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Saul Henkle, Clk

S/ Jonathan Milkollin



[Samuel Anderson & John Beamer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Of the State of Ohio Jackson County: SS

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for said County Joseph Horton⁵ who after being duly sworn deposeth and saith, That he the said Horton enlisted in General Armung's [Charles Armand's] core [corps] of light Dragoons in Staunton Augusta County in the State of Virginia under Captain Labrun and Lieutenant Deleclature [?], Cornet William Moredoch [?] and that he served with a certain Jonathan Milhollan [sic] in said company fifteen months or upwards, Enlisted in the year 1782 and legally discharged in the fall of 1783 at little York in the State of Pennsylvania. And further this deponent saith not.

S/ Joseph Horton, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 18th day of September A.D. 1832

S/ Samuel Carrick, JP

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The State of Ohio Clark County: SS

Before me James S. Halley, President of the town of Springfield in said County, personally came John Morris, aged 67 or 68 years who being by me duly sworn deposeth and saith that Jonathan Millhollen with whom he then was and still is well acquainted about ~~the commencement of the year 1781~~ February in the year 1781 entered a company of militia in the service of the United States under the command of Captain John Bollar; that said company rendezvoused at Botetourt Court House in the State of Virginia, and from thence marched into North Carolina under the command of Major Rolen. Deponent entered said company at the same time with said Millhollen and was discharged at the same time with him after a service of more than two months as deponent verily believes. Deponent was with said Millhollen at the battle of Guilford during this service. At the time we were drafted we expected to serve three months; but there being no occasion for our service longer we were discharged about a fortnight after the Battle of Guilford. Deponent recollects of hearing that said Millhollen served another tour the ensuing summer in the militia service, the length of which deponent does not now remember. He also recollects that said Millhollen sometime after this enlisted in the Cavalry Service of the United States, and that he continued in the service as deponent believes something more than a year; but the exact length of time deponent cannot recollect. During this service deponent recollects seeing said Millhollen wants, he having made a short visit to his parents on furlough; in company with the Lieutenant or Ensign of the Company in which he served. And further deponent saith not.

S/ John Morris

⁵ FPA W7777

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Morris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

The State of Ohio Clark County: SS

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the peace within and for said County Jonathan Millhollen [sic] who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods stated below, and in the following grades; For one month and fifteen days I served as a private under Captain John Boller in the Battalion of Major Rolland For two months as a Substitute for Adam Kimberland in Captain Prior's Company of Militia: and for fifteen months (and more) then Captain Lebruns company of Cavalry in Colonel Armand's [Charles Armand's] Corps; that he served during the period aforesaid under the officers named in the declaration to which this is an amendment and in each engagement he served as a private. And for such service he claims a pension. Declarant further states that when he was preparing the declaration to which this is an amendment, on its being suggested that the evidence of a clergyman would be required, and respect to his age, and the general belief in his neighborhood as to his revolutionary Service, the attorney whom he had employed to assist him in preparing his paper, advised that such testimony would not be necessary; and relying on his better information on the subject, declarant made no effort to obtain such testimony. He now submits the certificate of a clergyman, which he returns here with; and which together with the deposition of John Morris furnishing additional testimony of his service, declarant hopes will complete the evidence required.

S/ Jonathan Milkollin

Sworn and subscribed this 27th day of May 1833 before me

S/ John A Alexander, JP

[Saul Henkle, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$74.17 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months in the cavalry and 3 ½ months in the infantry in the Virginia service.]