

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benjamin Scott S17076

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State of Indiana Jackson County: Sct.

On this 7th day of May in the year 1833 personally appeared in Open Court before the Honorable Abel Findley Judge of the Court of Probate for the County aforesaid now sitting in Browns town Benjamin Scott a resident of the County of Jackson aforesaid aged seventy-nine years the 29th day of this month 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 approved the 7th of June 1832.

He was born in Augusta County, now Hardy, in the State of Virginia on the 29th day of May in the year 1754 as appears by his father's family record now in his possession. That he has lived a part of his time in Kentucky, that he entered the service of the United States by draft as a militia man in the County aforesaid in the month of March 1777. That he marched from thence as 1st Sergeant in a company commanded by Captain Moses Hutton, Lieutenant Sylvester Ward Under the command of General Hand. That he was marched to Headquarters Pitts Burg [Pittsburgh] and from thence to Wheeling in Virginia where he service consisted in guarding and defending the Virginia frontiers. That he continued in the service as aforesaid as above described from May 1777 aforesaid until the September following making 6 months the time for which he was drafted and was dismissed.

That being still a resident of the County of Hardy aforesaid in the State of Virginia he was again drafted on the 1st day of May 1781 and served as an Orderly Sergeant in the Rifle company commanded by Captain Michael Stump Lieutenant Michael Hornbeck under Lafayette Brigade General Muhlenberg and Major McPherson for two months he was marched to near head quarters in Virginia thence he retreated to Orange County in the same State. He was joined by General Wayne and pursued the British below Richmond to a place called Bottoms Bridge about 18 miles below Richmond where after serving until the 1st day of July following the said 1st day of May 1781 completed his two months and he was dismissed & returned that he received no discharge in writing.

From the lapse of time and the dispersed residents of those who yet living who served with the declarant render it impracticable [sic, impracticable] at this late day to procure evidence of his service.

He declares that during the whole of the time of his service for six months and for two months as before mentioned that he was not engaged in any civil pursuit, owing to the ill health of Mr. John Evans family the clergyman and neighbor of the declarant he was unable to obtain his certificate.

The said Benjamin Scott hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity 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 first aforesaid.

S/ Benjamin Scott

Benjamin Scott

[Jacob Wells, Richard Eastin and Thomas Stevens gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the Virginia militia.]