

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Snow S17690

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State of North Carolina Stokes County: SS

Superior Court of law April Term 1833 on this 18th day of April A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Superior Court now sitting John Snow a resident of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina aged seventy-three 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 the 7th of June 1832 –

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

1st That he volunteered a private soldier in the militia under Captain Samuel Moseby at old Richmond & entered the service under said Moseby at the Shallow Ford on the Yadkin River Surry County the last of June or first of July in the year 1779. They rendezvoused at that place he thinks two weeks, was then marched to Salisbury Roan [sic, Rowan] County that he was stationed there two or three weeks guarding about seventy Tory prisoners that they marched the prisoners from Salisbury to Guilford Court house where the prisoners were lodged in jail that he was then marched back to Surry County and transferred to Captain Woldridges [sic, Wooldridge's?] Company & Lieutenant Hedgepeth & was marched to the Cataba [Catawba] River in Marlinburg [Mecklenburg] County was there stationed and remained there six weeks when his term of service expired the first of October 1778 having served three months that he received a written discharge from Captain Woldridge that his discharges either lost or destroyed that he knew & saw Colonel John Armstrong of the Regular Army whilst stationed in Marlinburg County.

2nd. That he volunteered & entered the service a private soldier in the militia under Captain John Morgan & Lieutenant Mark Harden at the Shallow Ford on the Yadkin River Surry County in the month of August in the year 1780 that he was marched to Marlinburg Courthouse there joined the Regiment under Colonel Paistly [sic, John Paisley?] the army under General Sumner was then retreating from the British that the retreat was continued through Salisbury that he crossed the Yadkin River at the old trading Ford & there they made a stand and remained there two or three weeks whilst there and express arrived that the Tories had appeared in considerable force (in the neighborhood of the Shallow Ford) under Colonel right: that Captain Woldridge Beat up for volunteers to march immediately to Surry County against the Tories that

he volunteered & was marched to Surry County and there joined a Regiment under Colonel Campbell & was marched to the Shallow Ford & there met the Tories & a Battle ensued that the Tories were defeated with the loss of fourteen killed on the part of the Whigs five were killed that he remained with Colonel Campbell two days was then marched back to the main Army near Salisbury whilst there General Davidson arrived & marched the Army through Salisbury to the Waxhaw Settlement in South Carolina that he was stationed at the twelve mile Creek near the South Carolina line whilst there General Morgan & Colonel Washington of the regular Army arrived that he remained there until his term of service expired and received a written discharge from Captain John Morgan the latter part of November 1780 the date he does not recollect, that he served three months in the above tower [tour] that his discharge is lost or destroyed –

3rd. That he entered the service a private soldier volunteer in the militia on the first day of September 1781 at old Richmond Surry County (now Stokes) under Captain Edward Lovel [sic, Edward Lovell] that shortly afterwards he was marched to Salem in the County of Surry (now Stokes) to guard the legislature which had assembled at that place that he remained there about 3 weeks & the legislature dissolved. That he was marched from there to Randolph County under Captain Lovel & Colonel Isaacs [probably Col. Elijah Isaacks or Isaacs] that he was stationed at Bell's Mills on Deep River about a week that he was then placed under the command of Captain John Kemmins [sic ?] of the footmen & Colonel Isaacs marched with all the mounted men towards Wilmington as he then understood that he was marched by Captain Kemmins about 15 months miles to a place called Sandy Creek that they were then fired upon in the night by the Tories that they retreated back to Bell's Mills & lay there he thinks 10 days was then marched to Chatham County that they remained in that County in pursuit of the Tories until we received intelligence of the capture of the British Army under Cornwallis that he was then marched back to Surry County, now Stokes, and discharged verbally by Captain Kemmins on the 15th day of November 1781, that he served in the above Tower [tour] 2 months & a half –

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

That he was born in the State of Delaware in Kent County and emigrated to North Carolina Surry County (now Stokes) in the month of March 1777 where he now resides & has ever since that he has no record of his age in his possession that his age was kept in his father's family Bible his Brother became possessor of said Bible & removed to the West with it – That there is no clergyman in his neighborhood & that he cannot get one whom he is acquainted with.

That he cannot offer any evidence of his services except the affidavit of Joseph Banner & that he has no documentary or written evidence thereof.

S/ John Snow, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court

S/ Thos. J. Armstrong [?]

[Joseph Winston and John Hill gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Joseph Banner¹ being duly sworn according to law states on his oath that John Snow the above named applicant did serve a 3 month tower with him to the South in the fall of the year 1780. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Joseph Banner

¹ [Joseph Banner W9716](#)

Joseph Bannister

[fn p. 13: On October 10, 1834, in Monroe County, Indiana, the veteran filed for a transfer of his pension benefit saying that he had moved from North Carolina to Indiana and wished to receive his pension benefit there. He gave it as his reason for moving that he wished to be with his children who reside in Indiana. In this document he refers to his officers as "Capt. Woodridge" and "Col. Parsley or Persely."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$28.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 8 1/2 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]