

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Passmore S1924

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State of Tennessee Dickson County } S. S.

On this third day of September in the year while Lord 1832 David Passmore a resident aged seventy-one years old personally appeared in open court (before the Circuit Court of said County) and being first duly sworn according to law doth upon his oath make the following declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he was born in the County of Chester in Pennsylvania &

That he entered the service of the United States in the month of August in the year 1777 in the County of Orange in the State of North Carolina where he then resided as a Regular Soldier for three years in the company commanded by Captain James Wilson belonging to the 10th Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Shepherd [Abraham Sheppard]. That we were marched into the State of Pennsylvania to Valley-forge [sic, Valley Forge], where the regiments were reduced or in some way altered & I was then placed in a company commanded by Captain Varnums [sic, James Verner] and in the 1st Regiment commanded by Colonel Clark [Thomas Clark] and in that company & Regiment under the command of General Washington. I marched to Monmouth and I was in the battle fought at that place [June 28, 1778] & after that we marched to the White Plains & the battle [October 28, 1776] at the White Plains had been fought before he reached that place & I was marched to the West Point where I continued I think one summer. We were then marched to the South & he passed the Christmas day in Philadelphia, he thinks in the year 1779 on their way to the South -- he was then marched to Charleston in South Carolina & was at the siege of Charleston when he was taken prisoner he believes in the month of May 1780 [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] -- he was then taken on board a ship together with many other prisoners & was kept in custody of the British about fourteen months when we were taken to James town in the State of Virginia, he believes in the month of July 1781 -- the time for which he enlisted having expired he was discharged at Richmond shortly after he was exchanged. He received a written discharge from Colonel Robert Maybin [sic, Robert Mebane] -- he was entitled to a land for the services performed by him under the laws of the State of North Carolina & filed his discharge with Colonel Glasgow who issued the warrant & he has never had the same since -- that he received a land Warrant from the State of North Carolina for 300 acres of land which he lint [sic] to one of his friends who broke & he never received any advantage from the same -- that after he was discharged in the year 1781 he again entered the service of the United States in the Regular service as a substitute for a

man by the name of Endferd [?]¹ in a company commanded by Captain Rayford [sic, Robert Raiford] and in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Archd Lytle [sic, Archibald Lytle] and joined the headquarters of General Greene [Nathanael Greene] at Bacon's bridge on Ashley River above Charleston -- & we continued in the service for twelve months the time for which I enlisted in the neighborhood of Charleston guarding the country from Lord Rawdon & that after the Revolution he resided in Orange North Carolina until he removed to Tennessee in Montgomery County & there continued until he came to Dickson [County] -- he further declares that he has no written documents by which to prove his services, & he knows of no living witness by whom his services can be proved except the evidence of Burton George² who now resides in Humphreys County in the State of Tennessee and also one Henry Brewer³ who resides in Christian County in the State of Kentucky -- & he has had the affidavits of said two witnesses regularly taken and sworn to & now present them to the court & accompanies this declaration & which may be identified at the department by the signature of "E. Johnson" the Representative in Congress of this district, in his own proper handwriting -- he further states that he has resided in Dickson County in the State of Tennessee since the year 1808 & where he still resides -- and that he can refer the Court to Field Farrar the Clerk of the County Court & any information in relation to his character or standing.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the day & year above written.

S/ JC Collier, Clerk Circuit Court

S/ David Passmore



[Field Farrar the clerk of the County Court and Minor Bibb gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Tennessee Humphreys County March 22th [sic], 1831

This day personally appeared before me Parry W. Humphreys one of the Circuit Judges for the State of Tennessee now presiding in the County of Humphreys, Burton George aged about ninety-two years who make oath that he was acquainted with David Passmore while in the regular Service of the United States during the revolutionary War, that he served with said David Passmore about three years, or more in the first North Carolina Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Clark, and that we were both taken prisoners together at the Siege of Charleston and remained in prison together for about the space of fourteen months, and that he resides in the County of Dickson as I am informed, and the said David Passmore is now before me and I know him to be the same man that served with me, and who now a applies for a pension.

Sworn to in open Court March 22 1831

S/ WG Hudson, Clerk

S/Burton George, X his mark



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² Sic, [Breton \(Britton\) George S38725](#)

³ [Henry Brewer S39213](#)

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State of Kentucky Christian County: This day personally appeared before us John Spurlin and Thomas Barnett two of the acting Justices of the peace for said County, Henry Brewer Senior and made oath that David Passmore of the County of Dickson and State of Tennessee Enlisted with him under Captain James Wilson as a private in the North Carolina line in the revolutionary war and was commanded by Colonel A. Sheppard and after the Regiment was reduced was placed under the command of Colonel Thomas Clark who commanded first Regiment and while under his command was taken a Prisoner at the siege of Charleston South Carolina with myself. And after an exchange of prisoners he served under General Greene commanded by Colonel A. Lytle and he served to the end of the war, and he is now before me and I and him have seen each other frequently at times ever since and he is the same man. Sworn to and subscribed before made this 4th day of June 1832.

S/ Henry Brewer, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]