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Pension application of Ambrose Dudly (Dudley) S1949

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State of Tennessee Carroll County: September Sessions 1832 of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

On this day the 12th of September 1832, personally appeared in open Court Ambrose Dudley aged seventy-two years a resident citizen of said County who after being sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

States that shortly after the battle of Guilford in the year 1781 or 1782, he was drafted for a tour of six months in the County of Ash [sic, but did he say "Nash"?¹] State of North Carolina under Captain William Hall, can't recollect who commanded the Regiment but that Major Griffin had a command they were stationed in different places in the Counties of Duplin & Wayne on the Neuse River at Longfield Cox's, a little place called Kingston [sic, Kinston], and Portsmouth, had a skirmish with the British commanded by Major Craig at Rockfish bridge, when Captain Hall was wounded & taken prisoner from that place they rendezvoused at Goshen & from that place marched to Kingston where they were discharged.

Further states that after his return home he was some four or five months, he was again drafted for a term of six months he cannot recollect the name of the Captain, but it was in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Sharpe & sometime by Colonel Woods he does not recollect when he was mustered into service as he lived near the line between the Counties of Nash & Wake, states that in this tour he was in no engagement, but was marched about to different points in that part of the State as the service of the country required.

He further states that during his services he was never marched out of the State, as recollects.

He further states that he has no documentary evidence to establish his services nor does he know of any living witness by whom he can establish the same.

Question, When & in what year were you born

Answer, I was born [in] North Carolina on New [sic, but did he say "Neuse"?] River in the year 1760 & March 15th.

Question, Have you any record of your age & if so, where is it.

Answer, I had but it is now lost

Question, Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the war & where do you now live.

Answer, I lived then in Ash [sic, but did he say "Nash"?] County North Carolina, from there I

¹ The services he describes and the officers under whom he says he served indicate to me that he was born in Nash County North Carolina not Ashe.

lived in South Carolina, Greenville & Pendleton district, then moved to Kentucky where I lived 15 or 16 years, then I moved to this country 10 years since where he now lives.

Question, How were you called it into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute if so for whom.

Answer, I was drafted or both tours which I served.

Question, State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops with whom you served, such Continental and militia regiments H. you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer, I was not attached to the regular Army during my service, nor did become acquainted with any regular officer, I have always served with small detachments & had no higher officer than a Colonel to command us. I was stationed at different places during my services in the Counties of Johnston, Duplin & Wayne that he recollects & perhaps Wake North Carolina and in only one skirmish which took place at Rock Fish bridge with the British under Major Craig and August 1781 or 82 [indecipherable word] when about 30 miles from Wilmington that the British then had possession of that town, that in that skirmish the Americans had to retreat, Captain Hall who commanded the company in which he drafted was taken prisoner, wounded, to Wilmington.

Question, Did you ever receive a discharge, by whom was it given & what has become of it.

Answer, I think Major Griffin gave me a discharge, can't recollect what has become of it as he has not seen it for 40 years.

Question, State the names of persons in your neighborhood who can testify as to your veracity, their belief in your revolutionary services:

Answer, am well acquainted with George [indecipherable name] & Colonel J. S. Neely others have known a long time, further states that he has never received anything whatever for his services in the way of pay or pensions and hereby relinquishes all claim to any annuity except the present and that his name is not on the pension roll of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court this 12th day of September 1832

S/ Edward Givin, Clker

S/ Ambrose Dudley

[George Barker & J S Neely gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum.]