

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Matheny S1999

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

On this day the fourth of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the justices of said County presiding now sitting William Matheny a resident citizen of said County of Henry & State aforesaid aged seventy-five 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 June 7th 1832. That during the war of the revolution he resided in the County of Montgomery State of North Carolina & on the Yadkin River, and was drafted to go a tour against the Cherokee Indians, under Capt. Culpepper [John Culpepper], & Col. Love's [Lieutenant Colonel David Love's] Regiment. They were marched to the Blue Ridge & were discharged at the Pleasant Gardens all in North Carolina, was drafted & served for three months, he cannot recollect what month or year at this late date, the Indians fled from before them they however cut down their corn & burned their houses,<sup>1</sup> he also served one month in South Carolina as a substitute in the militia, for one John Baker, in Capt. Edward Carrington's Company -- can't recollect the Regiment, but knows that General Richardson [Richard Richardson] commanded, was marched to Charlestown & was stationed at the three mile house and at Moncks Corner he was in no engagement nor does he recollect if there were any regular officers on that station or not -- shortly after that, he again volunteered one tour in the County of Montgomery North Carolina under Capt. Buckner Kimbrall [Buckner Kimbrell] in Col. Ledbetter's [Lieutenant Colonel Drury Ledbetter's] Regiment, the whole under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] -- they were marched down the Yadkin to Maroke's [Mask's ?] Ferry in Anson County on the way to join General Gates [Horatio Gates] before his defeat at Camden [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780],<sup>2</sup> the company he belonged to was in the battle and his General taken prisoner, at Maske's ferry he was ordered back to take care of a sick soldier by the name of William Ellis. In all he was in regular service for seven months as well as he recollects Col. Ledbetter gave him one discharge, Capt. Culpepper & Capt. Carrington, which were destroyed by fire in the burning of his house the summer before he left Montgomery County North Carolina, for Burke County in the same State. He has no documentary evidence to prove his services & knows of no living witness to prove his services when he entered the service he lived as he has stated in Montgomery County. He cannot state his precise age, he is wholly

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_cherokee\\_expedition\\_1776.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html)

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_camden.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html)

illiterate but from what his mother told him he was 75 on the 14th of August 1832. He never served with any of the regular troops and can't refer to any of the officers. He states that he was born on the Roanoke River then Bute County since the revolution about 26 years ago he moved from North Carolina on to this State & lived in the Counties of Rutherford, Montgomery for a number of years then moved to Illinois State & lived there 2 years returned to this State -- now is a citizen of the County of Henry -- He is well acquainted & has for a long time been acquainted with the Rev. Lemuel Myrick and John Greene citizens of this County.

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

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court.

S/ Thos. K. Porter, Clk.

S/ William Matheny, X his mark

[Lemuel Myrick & John Greene gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the North Carolina militia.]