

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Rogers S2017

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State of Tennessee Hamilton County: SS

On this 27th day of November 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipful Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County now sitting William Rogers a resident of said County of Hamilton and State of Tennessee aged ninety-two years last March 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated, that is to say – he entered the service in Bedford County Virginia under Captain John Arwin [?]- and Colonel Callaway [James or William Callaway] – under whom this applicant served a 3 months tour through the lower parts of Virginia, and was at Williamsburg, and several places that this applicant has forgotten, he has no recollection at all of the date but remembers that it was during the Revolutionary War, and remembers that he and the troops with whom he served came near being in an engagement with the British this tour – but the British took a different route from the one expected by the Americans – he also remembers that it was about 4 months from the time he entered the service till he was discharged and returned home – he received no written discharge but was dismissed, Colonel Callaway did not serve this tour, but was the applicant's Militia Colonel at home in Bedford County –

Sometime afterwards perhaps a year or two this applicant's turn came again he remembers that he drew the tenth number and was drafted to serve three months at a time he went out this time under Captain Moses Fuqua and he thinks General Losson [Robert Lawson?], and was marched by them to Charleston on the seaboard but don't remember whether it was Charleston South Carolina or not, he thinks it was – he served three months this tour, and returned home and was dismissed – he never actually served but the two above mentioned tours, himself, but hired a substitute to serve two or three tours for him during the Revolution – he remembers that whenever his turn came he either went himself or hired a substitute to go in his place –

This applicant never was discharged in writing and has no documentary evidence of his services in the Revolution and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure as to his said services –

He was born in Bedford County Virginia as related to him by his mother, and from the best reckoning he is able to make he is ninety-two years old last March – he has no record of his age and never had; he has stated all he remembers about his services in the Revolution – he lived in Virginia Bedford County about two years after the Revolutionary War ended and removed to the State of Georgia, Washington County – and lived there sixteen years – removed from there to Buncombe County North Carolina and lived there three years, from there he removed to

Kentucky Perry County – and lived there about ten years, from there he removed to this County Hamilton and State of Tennessee and has lived here about three years and still resides here, He states that he is known in his present neighborhood to George McGuier, Esq., and James Russell who can testify as to his character for veracity and good behavior and as to their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution but not to any Clergyman that he knows of who can –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 & year aforesaid in open Court

S/ Asahel Rawlings, Clk.

S/ William Rogers, X his mark

[George McGuer and James Russell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]