

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Mitchell S21374

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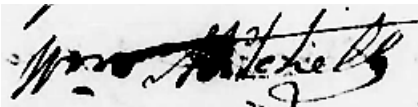
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State of South Carolina Union District: to wit

On this 6th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas & Sessions now sitting for said District William Mitchell a resident of Union District 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 of June 7, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein named – I entered the Service sometime in the month of May or June 1778 under Captain William Fitzgarrel [William Fitzgerald?], Colonel David Mason, in Amelia County Virginia – and marched from there to Halifax Town North Carolina, from thence we marched through South Carolina & joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] at Stono – and at the Battle of Stono [June 20, 1779] was held as a reserve. After the battle retreated a few miles where I remained until I was discharged and returned home sometime in the month of December in the same year having served a tour of six months. I again joined the service under Captain Legan [?] and Colonel Nash in Amelia County Virginia and marched to Prince Edward Court House Virginia. In order to join General Washing [sic Washington] at the Siege of Little York but being unfit for duty from a severe Spot spell of Fever was discharged, If I ever received a discharge I do not now recollect it –

I have no documentary evidence of my Services and know of no person now living by whom I can prove them. To the Interrogatories to me propounded by the Court Answer to 1st I was born in Amelia County Virginia on the 5th April 1759. 2nd. I have at home. 3rd. See within. I remained in Virginia until the year 1797 when I removed to Union District South Carolina where I have remained ever since, 4th. Drafted 5th. I have stated within – 6th. If so I have lost it – 7th – I refer to the Reverend Willis Walker a clergyman of Union District & Daniel Holder to prove my character for truth and moral deportment. I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and do declare that my name is not on the pension roll or agency of any State.

S/ Wm Mitchell



[Willis Walker, a clergyman, and Daniel Holder gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of South Carolina Union District: William Mitchell personally appeared before me and deposeth as follows in order to explain and make more explicit his application for a Pension under the Act of June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States during the

Revolutionary War against the Common Enemy of the County [sic] the British & Tories in 1778 under Captain William Fizsgarell [sic] & marched as set forth in my declaration & served a tour of Duty of 6 months.

I again joined the Army at Prince Edward Court House Virginia but being unfit for duty was discharged for this Service viz. to be considered only being out one or 2 days.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 13th May 1833.

S/ William Mitchell

[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.]