

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Francis Northcut S21401

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State of Tennessee Warren County }

On this the 8 day of April 1834 personally appeared in open Court in the court of pleas and quarter sessions for said County Francis Northcut a resident of said County and State aged about Seventy-Four years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the acts of Congress passed 7th June 1832 that he was drafted in the Army of the United States in Prince Edward County Virginia in September as he thinks in 1777 he knows it to be 1777. In Capt. Samuel Scott's Company. Capt. Somer Cott [??] organized his company in Prince Edward County Virginia place not recollected by applicant, and marching immediately to Savannah River. And was stationed at Savony [sic, Savannah] town on that River, and remained for the space of one year with the exception of the little towers [tours] they would take through the country after the British and the Tories were sometimes gone about a month he was never in any particular Battle But [indcipherable word] that the General headquarters for 12 months when the time having expired to wit 12 months the time for which he was enlisted expired Applicant was commanded by William Abbasham [William Habersham?] who was Major he does not recollect the Col. Lochlen Mackentorch [sic, Lachlan McIntosh] was the General and Commander in Chief. Applicant was discharged at Savannah River and town in Georgia on the 1st of September 1778 he then returned to Prince Edward County Virginia where he remained for about 2 years & 6 months or thereabouts until just before Cornwallis was taken prisoner when this applicant again entered the service as a volunteer he does not recollect any of the officers by whom he was commanded except General Losson [? Sic, Robert Lawson?] who was Commander in Chief they then went to Little York where they heard that Cornwallis was taken [Yorktown, October 19, 1781] they arrived immediately afterwards he was discharged at little York after having served 6 weeks. He then went home to his residence in Prince Edward County in 1781. He remained there about a year -- that said applicant never entered the service any more. Applicant states he received a written discharge from the head officers he does not recollect what line the Regiment to which he belonged. He thereby has no documentary evidence to prove his services no living witness by whom he can prove his services that he knows of. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Will Edmondson, Clk

S/ Francis Northcut, X his mark

By Will Armstrong, DC

Answers to interrogatories which the war department directs to be put by the court to the applicant says that he was born in the year 1760 month not recollected Amelia County Virginia he once had a record of his age in a family Bible but it is torn off. He lived in that County for many years from there he went to Prince Edward County Virginia where he was drafted into the service of the United States where he remained for 12 months and then was discharged and remaining in Prince Edward County 2 years after the war was closed he then moved to Charlotte County Virginia where he lived about 8 years when he removed to Henry County Virginia where he remained about 20 years as well as he recollects when he removed to Warren County Tennessee where he now lives and has lived ever since. He was enlisted in the service of the United States for all the time but the 6 weeks when Cornwallis was taken as stated in his declaration. He has stated in the body of his declaration the general circumstances of his services. He never received a written discharge but lost it. He is acquainted in the neighborhood where he now lives with John Haley, William Campbell, John R. GloseBrooks [?], Joseph D. Morgan, Archelaus Prater.

S/ Francis Northcut, X his mark

[Archelaus Prater, a clergyman, William Cummings and John Haley gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 14: "Barnabas Harley and his wife Rhoda who was Francis Northcutt's sister, they can prove his service for one year they reside in Rockcastle County, Kentucky write to them and get their affidavit. Capt. Scott lived in or near Linchbarga [Lynchburg] Virginia."]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$44.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 13 months and 12 days in the Georgia Continental line.]