

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Bennett S21641

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State of South Carolina Anderson District: SS

On this 4th day of March 1833 personally appeared in open Court the day for the Honorable Josiah J Evans in the Court of General Sessions & Common Pleas of Anderson District now sitting Charles Bennett a resident of Anderson District and State aforesaid aged seventy 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He entered the services of the US in Caswell County North Carolina under the command of Captain Sanders was in the Battle at Eutaw Springs, served about four months & was discharged October 12, 1781 at High Hills Santee by Colonel Malmedy. He was afterwards out about 3 months under command of Colonel William Moore of Caswell County NC collecting public property. He was out on several scouts does not recollect the exact time of each. He was more than seven perhaps nine months in the service of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

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 and year aforesaid

S/ Charles Bennett

in open court

S/ Van A. Lawhon, CC

[William Magee, a clergyman, and Henry Cobb gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Anderson District

Before me personally came Major George Oldham<sup>1</sup> a Revolutionary Soldier, who on oath saith he was well acquainted with Charles Bennett Esquire in Caswell County NC & does know that he served in the Army of the Revolution in the Militia of the State of NC.

S/ George Oldham

S/ Van A. Lawhon, CC

This certifies that Charles Bennet a Sergeant

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<sup>1</sup> [George Oldham S21906](#)

in Capt Sanders s Company Caswell County  
had discharged a tour of duty in the militia  
under my command

S/ Malmedy Colonel

Ober 12<sup>th</sup> 1781

high hills of Santee

This certifies that Charles Bennett a Sergeant  
in Capt Sanders s Company Caswell County  
has discharged a tour of duty in the militia  
under my command. Malmedy Colonel  
8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 1781. High hills of Santee.

State of South Carolina

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for Anderson District in the State aforesaid Charles Bennett a man to me well known resident in the District and worthy of credit – who being duly sworn deposed and saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively to the precise length of his services, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades. In the year 1781 as a Sergeant the term of 4 months & was discharged by Colonel Malmedy. For the year 1782, he served as a private in Captain John Oldham's Company of Militia of NC under Colonel William Moore. He was a volunteer for 3 months was during the time in the service engaged in no civil pursuit whatever he was not discharged regularly but was dismissed near Hillsboro – but to the various times he was called out on scouts he cannot now state with any precision – and would prefer losing the time then state the times which he cannot do so as to satisfy his own mind – There is now no living witness that he knows of who can testify to his services, all that can be stated is that Major Oldham knows he was out in the service of the Country –

1st He was born in Fauquier County Virginia

2nd Has no record of his age

3. Was living in Caswell County North Carolina when called into the Service of the Country

4th Was drafted for one tour & turned out volunteer for another

5th. Was with Colonel Malmedy in South Carolina & discharged by him was acquainted with no other regular officer.

6. Received a discharge for one Tour but none for the other –

7. I know no man of respectability but what will testify to my character for veracity. The most prominent in the neighborhood are Henry Cobb Esquire, Captain Hugh Wilson – Halbert Acker Post master at Greensboro, Doctor William Anderson, General William B Earle Adjutant General

of the Militia of the State –

This deponent further saith that being now so far from the place where the services were rendered it is impossible to procure any further testimony, that he knows of –

Sworn to 5th July 1833

S/ Charles Bennett

Before S/ John Harper, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 7 months service in the North Carolina militia.]