

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Henry Emerson S21747

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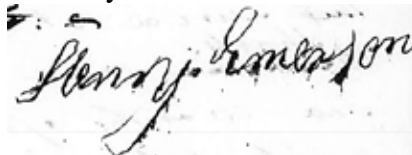
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State of South Carolina Spartanburg District

On this __ day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions now sitting for the District of Spartanburg and the said State Henry Emerson, aged Sixty Nine 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 7, 1832. -- That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein Stated. -- I entered the Service in the Winter of 1780 & '81, -- in the company commanded by Captain William Goldson [William Goldston or Gholson], and served three months against the British and Tories. -- as a volunteer -- in the spring of 1781, about the last of May I was drafted, and went into the service at Hillsboro, under Captain Sharp [Anthony Sharpe] and Colonel Little [Archibald Lytle] --, and about six months afterwards, we marched from Ashley Hill, to James Island, and Captain Rhodes [Joseph T. Rhodes] took the Command of our Company. -- I continued on James island about six months -- (make about one year in General Greene's Army) when peace was declared, and the troops, were disbanded and I was discharge[d] without any written discharge. -- I resided in Chatham County North Carolina when I entered the Service my first Service was as a volunteer the second as a draft[ee]. -- I have no documentary evidence of my services nor do I know any person now alive in this Country who served with me or who can testify for me. -- I do hereby relinquish any claim to a pension or annuity except the present and declare my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State. -- I was born as I have been told in 1763. I have no record of age, the Book containing the record being in possession of my older Brother -- I have resided in South Carolina about forty-five years and now live in Spartanburg District -- I never received any discharge in writing -- as to my character for veracity and moral conduct I refer to the Reverend Charles Smith -- Zachariah McDaniel Esquire or any other respectable persons of the County. --

S/ Henry Emerson

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Emerson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

[p 36: John Mullinax, a clergyman, Zachariah McDaniel and John Little gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina Continental line.]