

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Ezekiel Howard S21828

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State of South Carolina Pickens District: SS

On this ___day of October 1833. Personally appeared before the Honorable John S Richardson one of the associate Judges of the said State in Open Court at Pickens Court-house Ezekiel Howard, resident in the County of Pickens, 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That in the month of April 1780 he was drafted and entered the service of the United States as a private under Captain Mosely in Surry County in the State of North Carolina they went to the Shallow Ford of the Yadkin River when they joined the other soldiers of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Lenear [Lanier or Lenoir] they then went on to Salisbury from thence to Fifers Mill [Phifer's mill] on the Road to Camden in South Carolina from there he was sent back with some officers after Tories to Salisbury and went after Tories to deep River, marched back to Salisbury again to go to Camden in this time he was discharged and volunteered again went under the same officers to the Shallow Ford on the Yadkin where they had a skirmish with the Tories then returned to Salisbury and started to Camden again and got to Camden just after Gates retreated, however he did not get into Town nor did he know exactly how nigh but met Gates men retreating, and was marched back after Tories again to Alamance where they had an engagement with the Tories and took some prisoners and killed some, several of his party were killed and wounded, he returned to Salisbury was there near a month in this time he was in the service at least three months. On the 19th of December 1780 he was drafted and in 5 days he started to join the Army under General Green [Nathanael Greene] at Boyd's ferry on Dan River went under Captain Paulding [Henry Paulding] and Colonel Campbell and marched to Guilford to Guilford C. H. and continued with General Green until 24th of March 1781 was one month out under Captain Dicks Colonel Southerland against the Tories to Salisbury after Bryant [probably a reference to Colonel Samuel Bryan] who commanded the Tories who had embodied he was out on this expedition one month in the spring of the year 1781 He got his discharges regular but had his papers much abused and being no scholar they are all lost except one which was given by Captain Pauldig [Paulding].

1. He was born in Halifax County Virginia 22 March 1760
2. He has a belief of his father's old Bible on which his age was recorded – which is herewith sent
3. He lived within 6 miles of Salem North Carolina in Surry County when he was called into service.
4. He was drafted twice and a volunteer twice.
5. He solved Gates.

6. He received 4 discharges but lost them all but one as above stated nor does he now recollect who signed those which are lost.

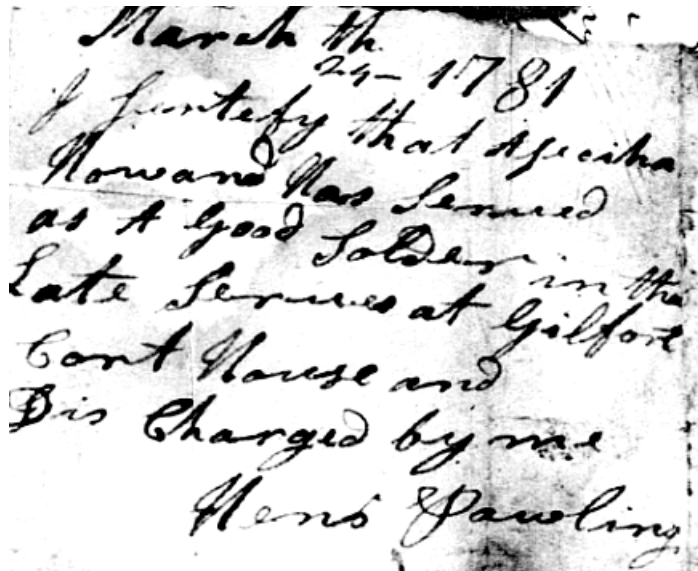
7th. He is well acquainted with Colonel Grisham Major Keith the Clerk of the court, William D. Sloan Esquire the Sheriff of the District, Nathan boon, Junior, Q. Thomas Lamar, JP, Samuel Reid late Sheriff and others to can testify to his credibility and in fact he does not know any man but what will certify to his credibility.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. He is very poor and infirm nearly blind and does not know a single man living who can testify to his services.

Sworn to in open Court

S/ William L Keith, CC

S/ Ezekiel Howard, X his mark



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[Thomas Morgan, a clergyman, and Joseph Grisham gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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