

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Milford S21885

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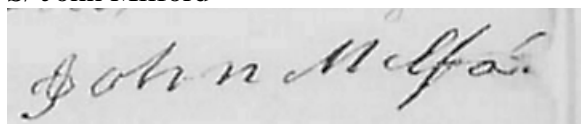
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The State of South Carolina Anderson District

On this Fourth day of March 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of Sessions & Common Pleas of said State for said District now in session John Milford of the State & district aforesaid who being 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 --

This Deponent was born in Ireland, he has no record of his age -- but thinks he was born in 1760. Came to this Country (America) when very young near 96 Fort in 96 District he entered the service as a volunteer in Captain Logan's [Francis Logan's] Company under Colonel afterwards General Pickens [Andrew Pickens], Served three months scouring and guarding the jail at 96, he attached himself to Colonel Pickens in the Cavalry -- as a minute man -- went on an expedition to Georgia to take a Fort -- which was evacuated before they arrived -- a three months Tour -- he was drafted to go on with General Greene [Nathanael Greene] while in N. Carolina to the relief of South Carolina served a three months tour in 1780. He served another tour in 1781 of three months he was present at Cowan's Ford on Catawba River the day [February 1, 1781] that Lord Cornwallis crossed the River -- He believes said he was in the service twelve months -- he has no discharge nor has he received any compensation for his services -- he has no other proof than what is here with submitted -- Sworn to & subscribed this 4th day of March 1833.

S/ John Milford



In open Court

S/ Van A. Lawhon, CC

[William Magee and James Thompson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

South Carolina Abbeville District: Personally came before me James A. Black a Justice of Quorum in and for the District & State aforesaid Thomas Milford<sup>1</sup> a resident of the State and District aforesaid aged seventy-six years and on his oath saith that he is well acquainted with the present applicant John Milford (his Brother) and was during the revolutionary war, that to his knowledge he the said John Milford was drafted as a militia man to go on with General Green

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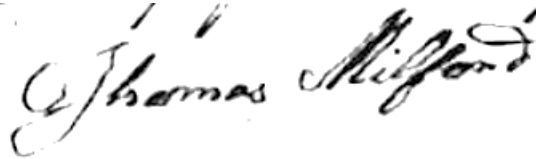
<sup>1</sup> [Thomas Milford S21375](#)

[sic, Nathanael Greene] for the relief of South Carolina, that he then resided in Roane [sic, Rowan] County State of North Carolina, that he the said John Milford did go out in that tour of service and served until his time expired which was a three months tour as he believes that the services was performed in the summer and fall of 1780 as he thinks he further swears that he was with him in another tour of service in January 1781 that they were together at Cowan's Ford<sup>2</sup> on the Catawba River in North Carolina on the day that Lord Cornwallis crossed the River when General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] was killed that he believes he was out in several other tours of duty.

Sworn to and subscribed this 15th day of February 1833 before me

S/ James A. Black, JQ

S/ Thomas Milford

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Milford". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Thomas Milford".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the South Carolina militia.]

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<sup>2</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_cowans\\_ford.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cowans_ford.html)