

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lee Clark (Clarke) S2431

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State of North Carolina Guilford County: SS

On this 22nd day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the court now sitting Lee Clarke a resident of Guilford and State of North Carolina aged seventy-six 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 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States & served under the following named officers, that at the time of his entering the service he lived in Brunswick County in the State of Virginia where he was drafted and placed under the command of Captain Macklin and Lieutenant John Lucas and marched to Portsmouth in Virginia where he remained for six weeks in defense of that place, after which time he was dismissed and returned home to Brunswick where he found that his mother (his father being dead) together with her family had moved to the State of North Carolina and settled on Haw River in the County of Guilford, that the affiant pursued on to North Carolina and again met with his family, sometime in the fall of the year 1780, where he remained but a short time, before he was again drafted to march to the South under the command of Lieutenant Robert Moore, Captain George Pierce [George Pearce], Major Blair and Colonel Paisly [sic, John Paisley] that his company was organized under the above named officers at Guilford old Court-House, commonly called Martinsville, and from thence marched on southward through Salisbury on to Charlotte in Mecklenburg County North Carolina, where they were joined by the forces under the command of General Davidson, who took command of the Army there assembled, and who was detained for the purpose of collecting a larger force with a view of going over into South Carolina to join the southern Army then under the command of General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], that he remained in the company for twelve weeks when he was discharged near the Catawba River – that he received a written discharge which he has since lost in his pocket Book together with several papers of importance with the book:

He further states that after his discharge he returned home where he remained for some time when he was called out to join a company of Light Horse or as was usually named in that day minute men under the command of Colonel Winston also Captains Pierce Bostick & more, that he marched down to the lower end of Guilford County near the Orange line, where there was a body of Tories & British dragoons harassing the country; in this campaign there was no

engagement, nor any bloodshed except Major Lewis who was shot from ambush on a reconnoitering expedition. That he remained out only a week or two when his company was dismissed in consequence of there being unable to summon a force sufficient to enable them to enter into an open engagement. That shortly after his return home he went back to Virginia to see his relations who lived in Brunswick where he remained for some time, where he was again drafted and placed under the command of Captain Hood & marched on James River and was taken sick at Prince Edward Court House, where he remained confined for two weeks: that he was out in the campaign six weeks and before his recovery from sickness he received the news of the surrender at York.

He further states that he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service, except Thomas Cummings<sup>1</sup> whose affidavit is hereto attached, who was with him in the campaign when they were stationed at Charlotte in Mecklenburg County and also in a party of horse called out to check the British and Tories in the lower end of Guilford. He states that he is known in his neighborhood to William McNairy Esquire, John Stafford, James Nelson Esquire & many others.

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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 & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ A. E. Hanner, C. C. C.

S/ Lee Clark, X his mark

State of North Carolina Guilford County: This day came Lee Clark personally before me James Nelson one of the subscribing Justices of the peace for said County and made oath, that he served in the different towers and in the different grades in the revolutionary war twenty-six weeks or at least six months, sworn to and subscribed to before me this 25th February 1833

Witness S/ Jas. Nelson, JP

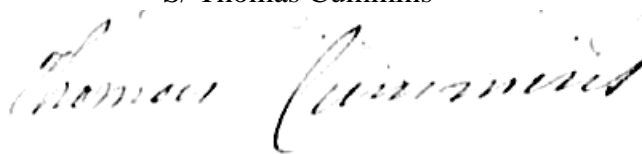
S/ Lee Clark, X his mark

Thomas Cuming [sic] being duly sworn Deposeth & saith that he served into Tours with Lee Clark, one for about two weeks in the lower end of Guilford, for the purpose of checking some Tories & British who were harassing that section of the country. The other for three months when they were stationed under the command of General Davidson at Charlotte in Mecklenburg County North Carolina. This affiant was attached to the cavalry in the said Clark belonged to the Infantry.

Sworn & subscribed in open Court

S/ A. E. Hanner, C.C.C.

S/ Thomas Cummins



[Henry Tatum, a clergyman, and James McNairy gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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

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<sup>1</sup> FPA S2431