

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert McLeod S2804

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State of North Carolina Iredell County: August Sessions 1832

On this 25th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for said County Robert McLeod resident in the County and State aforesaid 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, that he volunteered in the United States Army and served as such for three months, under Capt. David Caldwell who was a militia Captain -- that he was afterwards drafted and served under Capt. Provines [James Purviance] and in the Regiment commanded by Col. John Davidson [sic William Lee Davidson] who fell at Cowan's Ford¹ on the Catawba River while resisting the crossing of Cornwallis's Army -- At this time he lived in Rowan County, in this State -- He was in the battle fought by Sumter² the day succeeding or a short time after Gates defeat³ -- That he has no record of his age, was born in the Highlands of Scotland in the year 1756 as he knows from his being 16 years of age when he landed in this country, which was in the year 1772 -- whether he received a discharge or not, he is not able to say, if he did it is lost or mislaid -- that during a part of his service which was three months as a volunteer & six months by being drafted, he was under Capt. Gebrearth Falls [sic, Galbraith Falls] who was killed at the battle of Ramsour's [Ramseur's Mill, June 20, 1780]⁴ -- 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 -- That Philip Drum⁵ one of his neighbors served with him, and that John Mushat, Genl. George Lee Davidson, John Moore Esquire & James McColm who can vouch for his veracity & their belief that he was a soldier of the revolution & are well acquainted with him, but that all who served with him except Peter Drum [sic, Philip Drum?] either do not reside in these parts or are dead.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ A. Simonton, Clk

¹ February 1, 1781. <http://gaz.irshelby.com/cowansfd.htm> & http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cowans_ford.html

² Applicant is describing the engagement known as the battle of Fishing Creek. August 18, 1780. <http://gaz.irshelby.com/fishingcreek.htm> &

http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_fishing_creek.html

³ Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780.

http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html

⁴ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_ramseurs_mill.html

⁵ [Philip Drum W2079](#)

S/ Robert McLeod, X his mark

[John Mushat and Jas McCollum 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 militia.]