

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John H. Miller S2829

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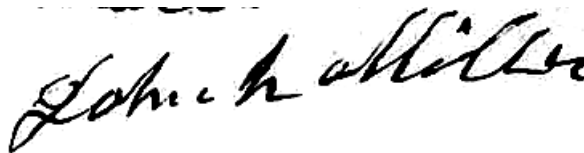
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State of Tennessee Knox County: Circuit Court Knox County August Term 1832

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before me Samuel Powell one of the Circuit Judges in the State of Tennessee, in the circuit Court now sitting at Knoxville, John H Miller a resident citizen of the State of Tennessee in the County of Knox, aged ninety-seven 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<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he entered the service as a volunteer in Henrico County State of Virginia in the month of July or August 1778 as well as he now recollects. The particular day is not recollected. He volunteered at first for six months under Captain Samuel Price he marched under Captain Price and Major Prosser to Williamsburg where they stayed three or four weeks, when they marched to Rick Neck [sic, Rich Neck] in the State of Virginia at that place they were commanded by Colonel Enis [probably James Innis] and General Nelson [probably Thomas Nelson]. From Rich Neck they marched to Valley Forge in Pennsylvania – Some of the country over which he marked and places at which he was stationed are not now recollected. He was in constant service at this time about eight months. At Valley Forge he got a discharge from General Washington sending him home as master of some wagons and baggage. He was at home but a few days when he was ordered to Richmond to assist in removing the Treasury from Richmond to Goochland Court House. He was engaged in this and in moving some public stores about six weeks making all his service during the revolutionary War about nine months. He was in no battle during the time he was in service but was within a short distance of the battle of James Town. He knew of the regular officers, Captain Black, Colonel Washington [probably William Washington], Colonel Baylor [probably George Baylor] & Colonel Bluford [probably Abraham Buford]. He has no documentary evidence as he lost his discharge in the burning of his house. He knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service. 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.

S/ John h Miller

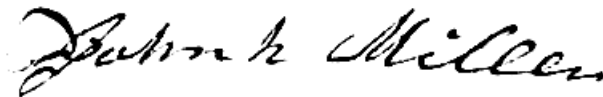


[Amos Hardin, a clergyman, and Thomas C Hindman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Tennessee Knox County: SS On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before James Anderson, John McMillin and Hugh Brown three but of the acting Justices of the Court of pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for said County now sitting John H Miller a resident of said County of Knox and State of Tennessee in the said County of Knox and State of Tennessee who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his declaration which declaration was made in the Circuit Court for said County and bears date August 21<sup>st</sup> 1832 and was numbered in the War Department No. 5987 and sent back for amendment. That he served in the tour first spoken of in his said declaration eight months for which he claims pension and at the time last spoken of in said declaration six weeks for which he claims pension. He claims a pension for nine months and two weeks in the whole he thinks he would be safe in saying that he served one year in the whole but he has omitted one tour altogether because he could not recollect the particulars at the time he made his declaration and he now omits it.

He was born in Berks County Amity Township Pennsylvania in the year 1735 the month nor the day he does not recollect he gives this last statement from the report of his parent and other circumstances of his life well recollected. He has no record of his age. He is acquainted in his present neighborhood with Zachariah Boothe Colonel William S Howell, James Campbell Esquire, G W Churchwell Esquire, Esquire, Hugh L White Senator all of whom he believes would testify that they believe him to be a man of veracity and that they believe he served as a soldier of the Revolution. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John h Miller [sic]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John H. Miller". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$31.32 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months and 12 days in the Virginia militia.]