

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Montgomery S30593

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State of Kentucky Adair County: SS

On this 8th day of October 1833 personally appeared before the Justices of the Adair County Court now sitting John Montgomery a resident of Adair County and State of Kentucky aged seventy-one 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 entered the service in the month of May 1779 of the United States and served under the following named Officers.

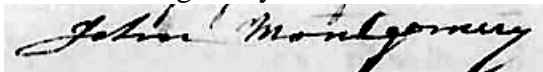
That in the aforesaid month of May he was drafted and went under Captain Burriss [probably Charles Burrass] from Amherst County Virginia where he then lived, marched from thence to the Barracks at Albemarle County and was kept there guarding Burgoyne's Army 18 days after which he was sent home receiving a verbal discharge from Captain Burriss. He further [states] that in the year 1780 in the fall the day not recollected he entered as a volunteer under Captain John Morrison and was attached to Colonel Meeds[Meade's?] Regiment, General Lawson's Brigade at Petersburg. He states that he volunteered in Amherst County under Captain Morrison and marched from thence to Richmond Virginia and there joined the aforesaid Regiment & Brigade, marched from Richmond to Petersburg was kept there and thereabouts until the expiration of the term for which he had volunteered which was three months. And were discharged verbally by Captain Morrison. That he was engaged in no civil pursuit during any of the aforesaid service. That in the month of January 1781 he volunteered under Captain James Barnett in the County of Amherst, march[ed] through Richmond and Williamsburg to York and was there attached to Colonel Dabney's Regiment from there march[ed] to Hampton, then back again to the halfway house between York & Hampton in a short time moved again to York and the night we left the encampment at the halfway house the British surrounded our encampment we supposed not being apprised that they had left there – When we heard that they had surrounded our encampment (the one we had left) we expected them at York, the Regiment was paraded in front of York and there were some horsemen came and informed us that the British had turned back. Major Campbell immediately called for volunteers for a force[d] march a large number turned out and pursued the British to Hampton but did not overtake them your applicant was one of the volunteers & the occasion we then march[ed] back to the halfway house and continued there until relief came we were then march[ed] up to Williamsburg and discharged by Colonel Barnett verbally. He was engaged in no civil pursuit during his service in the last aforesaid Tour which was three months. In the summer following he was drafted for twenty days under Captain Tallifor [Taliaferro?] in Amherst County and was marched to Richmond and went below Richmond the distance not recollected joined the Army and was attached to Colonel

Meriwether's Regiment and in the service at this time one month notwithstanding he had been drafted for twenty days only and was engaged in no civil pursuit during the aforesaid Tour of one month, was discharged at Morgan's Hill by Captain Tollefer verbally as were all the rest of his discharges. He served as will be seen specified in the foregoing named tours seven months and eighteen days. He was born in the year 1762 the 3rd of April. His father had a record of his age but he has none. He lived in Amherst County Virginia until 1789 then moved to Kentucky where he now resides. He states that he is known in the neighborhood where he resides to Samuel Taylor & David Kennard. He states that he knows of no person living who can prove his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ John Montgomery

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Montgomery", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Chester H Trabue, a clergyman, and William McNeely gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran Was pensioned at the rate of \$25.32 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months and 18 days in the Virginia militia.]