

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Joshua Moses S30594

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State of Kentucky Whitley County Sct. }

On the 21st day of October 1833 personally appeared before the Whitley County Court Joshua Moses a resident of Whitley County Kentucky aged Eighty odd years who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That some time between the years 1776 & 1778 he volunteered under Captain Williams in Anson County North Carolina and was marched from thence to Drowning Creek where the [sic, they] kept a station for some time from thence was marched to Brown's Creek where the [sic, they] routed a band of Tories thence back to Drowning Creek where the company or greater part was paroled and permitted to disperse but to be ready at a moments warning the whole term of service was 7 months. That whilst on parole and on Wateree River South Carolina and immediately after his parole as aforesaid he was taken prisoner by the British dragoons in which he received four wounds the scars of which are now to be seen, he was taken to Charlestown and put into the provo from thence he was sent with other prisoners to James Island he remained a prisoner nine months from where he made his escape and joined General Green's [sic, Nathanael Greene's] Army on Ashley River; who ordered him rations & sent him home this act of the General's, he thought was owing to the wounds he received in taking him prisoner or in consequence of the war being about to terminate or probably both. He states that there is no living evidence by which he can prove his Service and that he never got a discharge for peace was made for the war closed shortly after he got home from being a prisoner and he never applied.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that my name is not on the pension Roll of any agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Johua [sic] Moses, X his mark

The following interrogatories were propounded by the Court

Q 1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

Ans: Upon the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River] North Carolina and was born in 1748 as I have been told.

Q 2<sup>nd</sup> Where were you living when called into service?

Ans: in Anson County North Carolina

Q 3<sup>rd</sup> : Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: in Anson County North Carolina and Whitley County Kentucky the last 20 years.

Q 4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service?

Ans: a volunteer

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served.

Ans: There was none that I recollect, Colonel Waid [sic, Thomas Wade?] & Major James Fair commanded us but I believe they were Militia; whilst a prisoner I recollect Lord Roddin [sic, Rawdon] and Major Diel of the British troops

6<sup>th</sup> State the circumstances of your service.

Ans: I volunteered at Anson Court house North Carolina under Captain Williams marched and was stationed on Drowning Creek I was on frequent scouts and routed a band of Tories on Brown's Creek but no lives lost. On parole or by permission of our Captain I went into South Carolina expecting immediately to return and join my company but whilst on the Wateree [River] I was taken prisoner by the British dragoons. I was alone & attempted to escape by flight but the enemy pursued giving me 4 wounds first on my head with a sword seeing it aimed I personally fended it off with my arm which was badly cut the other slightly but do not know how it was done. I was also pierced in my left shoulder brought to the ground tied fast and marched with another prisoner to where they had the Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] battle with General Greene during the action I was guarded with British wagons but was sent on before the battle ended and in three days arrived in Charleston and was put with other prisoners in the provo where there were two rooms full. I was sent from thence to James Island I remained there a long time until myself & several others ventured to attempt an escape in an old perogue [sic, pirogue or canoe]. We marched three days without any provision until we joined General Greene's Army on Ashley [River]. The General order[ed] us rations & a permit to go home. I never got a discharge for peace was made shortly after and I never applied. Although my mind is weak I am confident previous to being taken prisoner I served 7 months and from the time I was taken prisoner until I got home was 9 months. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Joshua Moses, X his mark

[William Siler, a clergyman and Martin D. Snider [sic, he signed his name "M. D. Snyder"] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Facts in file: Veteran died February 26, 1836; he was survived by family but their names are not given in the file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for one year and 4 months in the North Carolina militia.]