

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Mullins S30610

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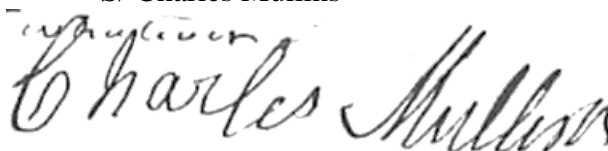
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Commonwealth of Kentucky, Calloway County } Sct.

On this __ day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before Rezin Davidge Judge of the Calloway Circuit Court now sitting Charles Mullins a resident of the said County and Commonwealth aforesaid aged eighty-three 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 7th 1832. That he was born in Pennsylvania July 18th, 1749 and principally raised in Virginia. That during the Revolution he moved to North Carolina and settled on Broad River Rutherford County. That he entered the service as a volunteer 1st January 1780 under Captain Abraham Kuykendall and Lieutenant Robert McMinn which company was raised by order of Colonel McLain [Charles McLean] for the purpose of opposing the Tories. We were kept in this service by Captain Kuykendall who continued to serve the Country and watch and check the movements of the Tories till in the month of February when by order of Colonel McLain Captain Kuykendall and Lieutenant Stephen Langford raised a company of horse (which I joined immediately) for the purpose of taking & bringing in disorderly persons: of disarming disaffected men: of ranging the Country and watching the motion of the Indians. In this service we were engaged for about three months or the middle of May: when by order of Captain Kuykendall we left our horses and marched on foot under Lieutenant McMinn to the Indian frontier where we joined some other forces at Fort Hampton under the command of an officer by the name of Grant at which place we continued to stay and Range the Country round till the end of the year being part of our time however at what was called Capshaw's Fort and Mills Station [could be "Miles Station"]. As we were a company of minute men we were occasionally permitted to go home for some days at a time. After returning from the Indian frontier which was about the last of December we continued to act under our Captain & Lieutenant as occasion required: in watching the movements of the Tories, and checking the incursions of the Indians, and annoying foraging or scouting parties of the British or in guarding and conducting prisoners till the first of May 1781 when I volunteered in a company commanded by Captain Ewing [perhaps Samuel Ewing of the Little River District Regiment of South Carolina militia] of South Carolina who repaired to the Army of General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] at the Siege of Ninety Six here we were placed under Col. Levi Casey who was of the line of Colonel Henderson [William Henderson of the South Carolina Continental line] at said Siege. Two days before the Siege was raised which was about the 16th of June I was permitted to go home upon furlough where I remained sick till the first of August when I proceeded to join the Army of General Greene at the high hills of Santee. Here I entered the service in a company commanded by Captain Ewill Lamkin [Ewell Lampkin] of Rutherford County and Lieutenant William Ross. We remained here and in scouting through the Country till General Greene proceeded to the

Eutaw Springs when our company proceeded to Camden and crossed the River Wateree and proceeded down the South Side of the River in order to join General Greene in time for the battle of the Eutaw [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781]. We reached Reynolds Mills about 15 miles below Camden when we were advised from the Main Army to return by the way of Camden and join the Army on the North side of the River as we were then in danger of the British horse when we got to Camden we were ordered to take charge of the baggage which General Greene had sent to Camden for safety when we proceeded to join the Army of the General Greene near the high hills of Santee to which place the Army had returned after the battle here we were put under the command of Colonel Malmedy [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne] a Frenchman I had been about four months with the Army when I was taken sick and put into the hospital at Camden where I remained some weeks when I was permitted to go home on furlough which was given me by our Lieutenant Ross. As my beloved Colonel Malmedy was absent on some business and shortly killed in a duel and as our Captain was sick and out of place I got no written discharge Ross did not conceive himself authorized to give me one. After I got home which was about the last of December 1781 I remained sick till February or March before I recovered when I proceeded under Captain Jacob Vanzant in company with Col. Walker to guard a Company of prisoners to Salisbury North Carolina. The prisoners were Tories. I returned home sometime during the spring of '82 which I think was my last service. I was considered and considered myself as in actual service during the whole of the years '80 and '81 though some part of the time at home as above stated upon furlough from sickness or some such cause. I never received any written discharge nor have I any documentary evidence of my services and I know of no living witness who served with me that I might procure to testify to my services. They are swept away by the ravages of the last half-century or if any be surviving they are living in places to me unknown. I have no evidence better than here adduced. And the said applicant states that he lived in North Carolina about 30 years after which he moved to the State of Indiana where he lived nine years from whence he moved to Calloway County Kentucky where he has been living several years. 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 whatever.

S/ Charles Mullins

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Mullins". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Charles Mullins".

[Hugh Gilbert, a clergyman, and Arthur H. Davis gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County Charles Mullins the foregoing declarant who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For six weeks or from the first January to the middle of February 1780 I served as a private (a volunteer) under Captain Kuykendall and Lieutenant McMinn. For three months or from the middle of February term of middle of May 1780, I served as a private of Cavalry in Captain Langford's company of horse. For seven months and a half or from the middle of May till the end of the year 1780 I served as a private under Lieutenant McMinn who joined some forces under Major or Colonel Grant (I do not recollect which) for the purpose of guarding the frontiers against the Indians, during which time we stayed at and ranged the adjacent Country to Hampton & Capshaw's Fort and Mills Station.

For four months longer or from the first of January 1781 till the first of May following I served as a private (volunteer) under Captain Kuykendall and Lieutenant McMinn during which time we were engaged in guarding the frontier from the Indians in cutting off scouting parties of the British or an annoying the Tories. For three months or from the 1st May till 1st of August I served as a private (volunteer) under Captain Ewing of South Carolina in the Army of General Greene from the 16th of June to the 1st of August however I was absent on furlough being sick. For five months or from the 1st of August till the 1st of December 1781 I served as a private under Captain Ewill Lampkin and Lieutenant Ross in the Army of General Greene. Of this tour however I was only in actual service four months having been taken sick and put into the hospital about the first of December where I lay some weeks after which I was permitted to go home. For eight weeks in the spring of 1782 I served under Captain Jacob Vanzant in conducting some prisoners to Salisbury North Carolina and for the above specified services I claim a pension.

Given under my hand the 4th day of April in the year 1833.

S/ G. W. Frazer, JP

S/ Charles Mullins

The above certificate subscribed & sworn to by Charles Mullins the said 4th day of April 1833.

S/ G. W. Frazer, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$63.33 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months and 8 days in the infantry and as a private for 3 months in the Cavalry, all in the North Carolina militia.]