

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Sherrod S31361

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State of Kentucky County of Todd: SS

On this 10th day of December 1832 personally appeared in open court before the County Court of Todd County now sitting Robert Sherrod a resident of Todd County Kentucky aged seventy-two years the first day of next March 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, I entered the service under Captain Athelred Philips,¹ Lieutenant Benjamin Philips and General Butler [John Butler] about the first of February 1781 and served three months tour, we were drafted & marched from Edgecombe County North Carolina to General Greene's Army in Guilford County North Carolina where we joined the Army Captain Philips was promoted to Major and Captain Madry commanded our company until after the battle at Guilford Court house, where General Greene assorted all the militia and took them with him to Camoden [sic, Camden?] and left those that were weakly or unwell under the command of Captain Williams amongst whom I was and he had no higher officer than Captain Williams during this tour of three months up to the battle of Guilford I belonged & my company to the first Regiment of North Carolina militia, in a few days, after we joined the Army of General Greene who took command of us we fought the battle at Guilford Court house about the middle of March our North Carolina militia were formed on the North side of the wheat field with the regulars to our right, we were ordered to take aim through the fence, the British rushed on us through the field and we fired on them one fire and then ran and left the regulars to fight and a good many of our militia did not stop until they got home. We were marched to Ramsey's Mills where I was left under the command of Williams as stated, and I there continued until my three months expired and I was discharged by Captain Williams. In some time very shortly after I returned home to save being drafted into the Army, I volunteered sometime in May 1781 and served a three months tour under our Commissary Edward Hall in hurting a large drove of cattle for the use of the Army which had been sent to him by Colonel Long the principal Commissary of the Army and under him I was bound to military duty and served in Edgecombe County North Carolina and was discharged by Hall at the end of my service about the last of August 1781.

¹ I suspect this is Etheldred or Ethelred Philips whose name appears in the Edgecombe County, NC as sheriff of that county after the Revolution.

In September following I do not remember the day of the month, I was drafted into the service as a militia man, under Captain James Scarber. We were marched from Tarboro towards Wilmington North Carolina. We lay some time at Tarboro a Captain and his company from Nash County North Carolina was with us and we had no field officers and but two companies this Tour I served three months and was discharged at Tarboro where we returned from near Wilmington I never was in any engagement except at Guilford as set forth. I hereby relinquish every claim to an annuity or pension except the present and declare my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

1st I was born in Edgecombe County North Carolina.

2nd I have a record of my age at home in a small Book made by my father for to register his children's ages in

3. I was living when called into the service in Edgecombe County North Carolina where I lived until I removed until I removed to Tennessee Montgomery County in 1797 I there lived one-year and then moved to the place I now live in Todd County Kentucky where I have lived ever since.

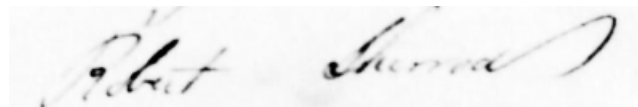
4th I was drafted in service twice and volunteered once I never was a substitute this I am acquainted in my present neighborhood with the following persons who will testify to my character for veracity and their belief as to my military services in the revolutionary war to wit, John Christian, Robert Acock, Lewis Tomberling, James Gorrel, Benjamin Gorrel, James Pitman, George Glenn Esquire, Samuel Shermwell, Claudius Duval, John Danks and many others

6. I was a acquainted with General Green a regular and served with no regulars except as set forth or militia

7th. I received a discharge at the end of each term of my service, the first signed by Captain James Williams, 2nd by Edward Hall, 3rd by James Scarber all of which I have lost, I have no documentary evidence, and I know of no person whose testimony I can procure who can testify as to my service.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Robert Sherrod

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Sherrod". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.

[John Christian, Robert Acock and Micajah Hall gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]