

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Stovall S31391

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State of Kentucky }
County of Allen } SS.

On this the 11th day of February 1833 personally appeared in open Court before William Ham William Fitzpatrick Samuel E. Carpenter Justices of the County Court and for the County of Allen and State of Kentucky in the courthouse of said county in court sitting George Stovall a resident of the County of Allen 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 Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered into the Army of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated (to wit) Applicant entered into the Army of the United States a private soldier in the militia company commanded by Capt. Peter Rogers in April 1778 in the County of Halifax and State of Virginia and served as a private soldier in said company for and during the term of six months thereafter. Anthony Early was Lieutenant and William McDaniel ensign in said company. Applicant further states that said company was attached to the Reg't. under command of Colonel David Mason and Lew Burwell [Lewis Burwell], adjutant Burwell Jackson. That the company rendezvoused at Dobeys old store in Hallifax [sic: Halifax] County and marched from there in April 1778 to headquarters near Charlestown [Charleston] South Carolina where they joined the Regular Army under Gen'l [Benjamin] Lincoln in May or June following that applicant continued to perform service as a soldier of the Revolution in company and regiment aforesaid untill he was discharged in the vicinity of Charlestown South Carolina. Applicant states that he was in the engagement near Charlestown in which the Americans made an attempt on the British fort nearly opposite St. John's Island [at Stono Ferry opposite Johns Island, 20 Jun 1779] but were repulsed. He further states that after his discharge aforesaid, he returned to Hallifax Virginia and in 1779 or 1780 he again entered into the United States service as a soldier of the Revolution being there drafted out of Capt. Michael Robertsons or Roberts company to perform a tour of three months service as a private of militia in persuance of his draft aforesaid he marched under Capt. King as far as the neighbourhood of 96 [Ninety Six] South Carolina. King's company was in the Reg't. under command of Colo. Robert Williams untill they arrived at Salisbury, North Carolina, at Salisbury or near Salisbury Colo. Williams left us and the command devolved on Majors Ward and Alexander Rose. Near 96 applicant was taken with the small pox and Maj'r Rose caused him to be left in the neighbourhood to remain untill cured. When sufficiently recovered, as he supposed, he repaired to the Army under Gen'l Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] at Henderson's Mill on Enoree River South Carolina; the officers fearing he would communicate the disease to others in the army ordered applicant to the Hospital at Charlotte town [North Carolina] where he remained untill the term of his enlistment aforesaid had ended. From the doctor at Charlotte town he received a permit to return home, and some short time after his return home Capt. King under whom he had entered the service gave him a discharge he also obtained a discharge from his first enlistment as above stated, at the encampment near Charlestown South Carolina. After the Revolutionary war, the discharges were by negligence lost many years ago. Applicant states expressly that taking into the calculation the time he had the small pox as stated above He served as private soldier in the Revolutionary War nine months for which he claims the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th June 1832. Applicant was in no other battle but the one above stated. He lived in Hallifax County Virginia when he entered the Service as above stated, where from the best information he has on the subject, he was born on the 15th day of November 1761. The family Register in which his birth is recorded is as applicant believes in the possession of Valantine Dickerson of Barren County Kentucky. Since the Revolution applicant continued to live in Hallifax Virginia untill about fifteen years ago, at which time he migrated to where he now lives, and has lived ever since his removal from Virginia, (to wit) In Allen

County State of Kentucky.

Applicant has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person by whom he can now prove his services as above set forth except [blank] whose testimony is hereto appended. As to his reputation for truth and general belief of his neighbourhood relative to his revolutionary service his age, he states that he is known to many who he doubts not would cheerfully bear testimony in his favour and amongst whom he offers the following (to wit) [blank]

Applicant 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 any Agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid George hisXmark Stovall

NOTES:

John Weaver (pension application W3635) certified Stovall's service, stating that he had lived within a mile of him in Halifax County and within two miles of him in Allen County. George Stovall's declaration was also certified by Sarah McFarland, 68 or 69, who stated "my father who was his brother went for him, and he came home with him much disfigured with the small pox."

A note on the pension certificate indicates that George Stovall died 8 Jan 1841.