

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Mark Whitaker S31477

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State of Kentucky Butler County: Sct

On this 8th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Butler now sitting Mark Whitaker a resident of said County aged 83 years who being first 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. The [sic, that] about the year 1776 as well as he now recollects he was drafted in Roan [sic, Rowan] County North Carolina for the term of three months and served under General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford], Captain Lyons and Lieutenant Neely, he rendezvoused at the head of the Catawba River then he marched to the lands of the Cherokee Indians in South Carolina and remained there until his said term expired. About the year 1780 as well as he can now recollect he was again drafted into the service of the United States for the term of three months and served under General Rutherford or Colonel Lock [sic, Francis Locke] which he does not now positively recollect he was drafted this term in Rowan County aforesaid and thence marched under the command of aforesaid General or Colonel & Captain Duglass Haydon towards Wilmington against the Scotch. He states that some time before the expiration of his said term he was taken sick was left by his company at mongers ferry near the head of Pedee [River] received no written discharge of any kind when his term expired but was permitted to go home by his officers, he states that he received no written discharge when his first term expired but was verbally discharged. He resided at each time when he entered the service in Rowan County he was in no battle he has no documentary evidence of his services his age was recorded in his father's Bible, he knows of no person by whom he could prove his services. After the Revolution he remained a few years in North Carolina from thence he moved to Kentucky where he has lived ever since. He states that Bennett Arnold, Zachariah Elliott, Oliver C. Porter and all that knew him could testify to his character for truth and their belief of his services in the revolution.

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

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Mark Whitaker, X his mark

[Joseph Taylor, a clergyman, and Matthew Kuykendall gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum for 6 months service in the revolution as a private.]