

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathaniel Cannon S31594

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Georgia, Wilkinson County

On this \_\_ day of November 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Inferior Court of said County now sitting Nathaniel Cannon a resident of Wilkinson County and State of Georgia aged between sixty seven and seventy years old from the best information as he has now [sic, no] register of his age 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: that he entered the service by enlisting six months under Capt. Smith [perhaps Garret Smith], Lieutenant Lindsey [perhaps John Lindsay/Lindsey or Thomas Lindsay/Lindsey] commanded by Colonel Williams [James Williams] in General Williamson's [Andrew Williamson's] brigade. [We] marched from Ninety Six District South Carolina to the Cherokee Line between Saludy [sic, Saluda] River & Savannah River and there built a blockhouse. Served my time out and got a discharge but has lost or mislaid it so that I do not know what has become of it but does not know what year but March as he believes. In the month of February, substituted for one month under Capt. Reed, Colonel Williams & Lieutenant Col McCrary [Robert McCreary] but served four months and four days. [We] marched opposite of Augusta South Carolina there joined General Lincoln [spelled "Linkhorn", Benjamin Lincoln]. [We] pursued the British from Augusta [to] Stonon [sic, Stono] Fort on Ashley River there had a battle [June 20, 1779] but cannot recollect the day or year but believes the battle was in the month of August.

[H]e 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 Sworn to and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid. And in answers to certain interrogations prescribed by the War Department the said applicant further states: That he was born as near as he can recollect in the year 1763 in the State of South Carolina. That he has no record of his age that he resided in the said State until he removed to the State of Georgia, in which last named State he lives at the present time. That he enlisted when he first entered the service. He states the names of Lieut. Lindsey, Capt. Smith, Col. Williams & Lt. Col McCrary as some of his officers; That he received a discharge which has been lost of a number of years. He states the names of Williams Payne & John Hatcher to whom he is known in his present neighborhood who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his serving as a soldier of the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed before us this 14<sup>th</sup> Jany 1833. |  
S/ Nathl. Cannon, X his mark

We Williams Payne, a clergyman residing in the County of Laurens & State of Georgia, and James Griffin a resident in the County of Wilkinson & said State, hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Nathaniel Cannon who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be nearly seventy years of age, that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he lives to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that we concur in that opinion. Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Williams Payne

S/James Griffin

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.77 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months & 4 days service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]