Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Funderbuck S31682 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Georgia Troup County

On this the fourteenth day of January in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court before their Honors Joel Newson, James Culberson & Daniel Evans Justices of the Inferior Court of said County now sitting John Funderbuck a resident of the County of Troup and State aforesaid aged Seventy-four years the 15th of November last past, who being 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 7th of June 1832

That he entered the Service of the United States in the State of South Carolina as a drafted Militia Man &c Served a two months tour at Purrysburg under Capt. Cannantire [?¹] & Col. Cashaw [sic, Eli Kershaw], General Marion [Francis Marion] having the Command. This applicant further states that he afterwards served two terms of duty at Camden under Capt. Terrill and Col. Marshall of two months or more each; General Marion still having Command & that he also served a tour of duty at the place called the four holes in South Carolina Commanded by General Marion & General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter], where Col. Hopkins was in command of the Regiment & Capt. Davis of the Company in which applicant served & that he served likewise in a number of short tours from the beginning to the end of the war in scouting parties after the Tories & British

This applicant states that he cannot recollect the precise time at which these services were commenced or when ended; only that they were done during the War, having never received any written memorandum from his officers; & if so, that they have been long since lost or mislaid. He knows of no person who can testify to his services in full, who lives conveniently, so as to procure his testimony.

This applicant believes that his Services amounted in all over the term of two years & that he the served in the capacity of a Common Soldier, having never held a Commission or higher Command than that of Sgt.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State whatever. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court.

S/ Oliver P. Fears, Clerk

S/ John Funderbuck, F his mark

¹ The War Department, in its summary of this claim, did not attempt to decipher this name. Bobby Moss deciphered it as Cannantire and questioned to whom it was a reference—he lists not such officer in his *South Carolina Patriots Roster*.

Georgia Troup County

On this the twenty-fourth day of June 1833 personally appeared in open Court before Edmund S. Harris, Samuel A. Bailey, Joel the Newson Justices of the Inferior Court of said County, John Funderbuck a resident of the County & State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment, to his declaration taken before this court on the 14th day of January 1833 in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th June 1833.

That it is impossible for him now to state the precise period at which he entered the service of the United States as he has no means at hand or within his reach to ascertain the time exactly.

This applicant further states "that by reason of old age & 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 & in the following grades -- For 2 months I served as a private under the command of Capt. Curnantine & Col. Cashaw, For 4 months I served as a private under the command of Capt. Terrell & Col. Marshall, For 2 months at the four holes in South Carolina I served as a private under the command of Capt. Davis & Col. Hopkins, For 5 months as volunteer & private under the command of Capt. Deason & Major McManis [McManus?²] (last tour of 5 months was not mentioned in the original declaration of which this is amendatory) & for such service I claim a pension."

This applicant further states that his recollection of the length of time he served in the number of short tours of duty mentioned in his original declaration against the British & Tories is too indistinct for him to swear about. He had rather lose any pension for it.

This applicant further answers to the several interrogatories directed by the War Department to be propounded by the Court as follows

To the 1st I was born in North Carolina on Haw River (having been taken from there in infancy) I do not recollect the County -- I was born 15 November 1758

2nd I have the record of my age at my residence in this County

3rd In Lancaster District South Carolina -- I moved from Lancaster to Chester & from Chester to Edgefield & from Edgefield back to Lancaster, from thence to Chesterfield, from thence to Jones County Georgia from thence to Monroe County & from thence to Troup County where I now live.

4th I was drafted every time except the tour under Capt. Deason & Major Morris [?]. In that I volunteered

5th General Greene was with the troops in which I served at Camden South Carolina & the circumstances of my service are stated in my original declaration

6th I received a discharge & that from Capt. Terrell under General Marion but the same has been lost.

7th I would mention the name of Horatio Whitfield & John D. Kendrick who have certified & sworn to a certificate to that effect in my original Declaration.

S/ John Funderbuck, F his mark

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court S/ Oliver Porter Fears, Clk

² Bobby Moss deciphered this as "Manis" in his abstract of this veteran's application but lists no such person in his South Carolina Patriots Roster.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the South Carolina militia.]