

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Lewis Jenkins S31771

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State of Georgia, Gwinnett County: Inferior Court September Term 1832

On this 25th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court (it being a Court of Record), now sitting Lewis Jenkins a resident of the said County of Gwinnett and State aforesaid aged Seventy-two 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 & served as herein stated (to wit) That he entered the service in Wake County in North Carolina where he then resided as a Enlisted Soldier under Captain William Ward & Lieutenants John Whitley & John Giles & Ensign Matthew Wood for the term of three years that the company to which he belonged was attached to Major Tiller's Battalion & Colonel Edward Buncombe's Regiment being the 5th Regiment that he served the three years service out principally in North Carolina that he was marched to Wilmington, Eatonton [sic, Edenton], Brunsictown [sic, Brunswick town], Fort Johnston [Fort Johnson], & to Halifax all of which places he thinks was in North Carolina, he was transferred to the command of Captain Kid [perhaps Joseph Kidd] a part of the time -- & in the said Service of three years was marched to Philadelphia & at the time that Colonel Buncombe¹ was killed or in that battle he was a guard over the baggage, but he is not certain whether it was the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] or the Battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777], he entered the service at about sixteen years of age & thinks it was in 1776 at the expiration of said Services returned home & got his discharge & at the close of the war he got a bounty of Land in Cumberland, which bounty he transferred to Lazarus Whitehead. That he recollects of no person living who can prove the services, that his discharge is lost or mislaid so that he cannot find it, that he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his services nor does he know of any person now living who can Establish the same, that since the Revolutionary war he has first resided in North Carolina & from thence to the State of Georgia & Gwinnett County where he now resides --

He 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 & subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court

Attest: S/ Wm Maltbie, CIC

S/ Lewis Jenkins, X his mark

¹ Colonel Edward Buncombe died in 1778 from complications from wounds he suffered at the Battle of Germantown on October 4, 1777. Wounded at that battle, he was taken prisoner by the British, paroled by them in Philadelphia, and died in May 1778. He is buried in Philadelphia at Christ Church Burial Ground.

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State of North Carolina, Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that they Warrant issued to Lewis Jenkins in the month of November 1795 for his services as a Soldier of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war for the quantity of land allowed by law for three years service, and that said Warrant was issued on the certificate of a Field Officer.

Given under my hand this 19th of April 1833.

S/ Wm Hill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]