

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Malone S31832

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The State of Alabama Limestone County

On this 13th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judge of said County Court in & for the County of Limestone State of Alabama now sitting William Malone, a resident of said County aged Seventy Eight 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 the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That in the month of September 1778 he volunteered & joined the company of the militia of the State of South Carolina commanded by Captain John Chessnutt [John Chesnut] Lieutenant James Cantey & Ensign Douglass Starks [Douglas Starke] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Kershaw [Joseph Kershaw]. That he was immediately marched with said Troops from Kershaw County in said State the place of his residence where he volunteered as aforesaid to Moncks Corner & from thence to Savannah which was taken before said troop could reach there in November 1778 -- That he was marched back & discharged that he served in this campaign four months, as a private in the foot infantry. That again in January 1780 he joined said company commanded by said Captain John Chessnutt, Lieutenant James Cantey & Ensign Douglass Starks marched immediately to Charleston & was put under the immediate command of Major James Postell & General McIntosh [Lachlan McIntosh] that he was stationed on the lines opposite to Wappoo Cut through the whole of said siege -- That General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] was our commander in chief in said siege, whom he saw & knew doing this siege, That he was taken prisoner when Charleston in May 1780 surrendered.¹ That he remained a prisoner ten days & was dismissed the last of May. That he served as a private in the infantry as aforesaid, including the time he was retained as a prisoner, five months -- That again in September 1780 he volunteered & joined the company of mounted infantry commanded by Captain John Watts, Charles Raley Lieutenant & William Jones Ensign in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Marshall [John Marshall] that he was marched with said troops to various parts of said State against the British & Tories that during this campaign he was at the capture² of Rugeley's Fort [December 4, 1780]² where they took about fifty Tories prisoners. That he was constantly in motion during this campaign it being unsafe to remain stationary & that he served six months as a private in the mounted infantry as aforesaid, on this campaign -- That again in May 1781 he joined said company of mounted infantry then under the

¹ <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/>

² http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rugeley_mills_2.html

command of Lieutenant Charles Raley & Ensign William Jones & was marched from Camden under Colonel Kimble [Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Kimball] & joined General Marrion [sic Francis Marion] at Moncks Corner, where they had a skirmish with the Tories & from thence was marched to George Town [Georgetown] & up the Pedee [River] to the Cheraw Hills & from thence after frequent marchings & enterprises of little moment under General Marion he was marched to the high hills of Santee & there discharged. That he served on this campaign as a mounted infantry man six months -- That again in December 1781 he joined as a volunteer the company of infantry commanded by Captain Douglass Starks [Douglas Starke] & was marched from Camden to Orangeburg where he was stationed with the Garrison command of Major Mee [George Mee] who was under the command of General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter]. That he was stationed & served at Orangeburg three months as a private as Garrison duty -- That again in July 1782 he volunteered & joined the company of infantry commanded by Captain William Presswood [William Prestwood] & marched under him to Georgetown where he joined the Troops under General Marion that there was little done by said Troops except going about to keep the Tories in order. That he served three months on this campaign & was discharged -- that he never received any written discharge for any of the said services -- That he served as a private in the manner above specified in all twelve months as a private in the foot service (infantry) & twelve months as a mounted man -- That he lived in said County of Kershaw at each of the periods when he joined said service. That he was born in said Kershaw County in November 1755, that his age was recorded in his father's family Bible but that he has not seen it for 30 years his brother having taken it. That after the revolutionary war he lived in said Kershaw County State of South Carolina until 1808 when he removed to Tennessee & from thence in 1811 he removed to Madison County Alabama & from thence in 1819 to said County of Limestone State of Alabama where he has resided ever since & still resides. -- That he has no Documentary evidence of his said service & is able only to procure the Testimony of Cornelius Malone³ & Charles Raley⁴ whose affidavits have this day been written as to his said services -- He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. He refers to Jeremiah Tucker & D. Coleman to prove his character in his neighborhood.

Subscribed & sworn to in open Court the day & year above written.

Test: S/ Robert Austin, Jr, Clk

S/ William Malone, X his mark

[Jeremiah Tucker, a clergyman, and Daniel Coleman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Personally appeared before me George W. Lane Judge of the County Court of the County of Limestone Cornelius Malone aged seventy-five who being duly sworn according to law states, that in the month of September 1778 he was present, when William Malone volunteered & joined the company of the South Carolina Militia, in Kershaw County in said State commanded by Captain John Chestnutt, Lieutenant James Cantey & Ensign Douglass Starkes in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Kershaw -- That affiant saw said William Malone when he volunteered & afterwards when he was marched with the Troops aforesaid & distinctly remembers when he returned from said Campaign about 4 months after he had marched as aforesaid -- That again in

³ [Cornelius Malone \(Mellone\) S31834](#)

⁴ [Charles Raley W5660](#)

January 1780 saw said William Malone join the company commanded by said John Chestnutt & Lieutenant Cantey & Ensign Douglass, that he said William Malone mustered into service in said company & marched to Charleston which was then daily expected to be attacked & which was taken by the enemy in the Spring of that year & said William Malone taken prisoner -- That again in September 1780 he was present when said William Malone was mustered into service in the company commanded by John Watts in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Marshall -- & that he saw said William Malone when he was marched from Camden & that he was gone about 6 months under said Captain Watts as a mounted man -- That again in May 1781 he was present & saw said William Malone mustered into service in the company of mounted infantry commanded by Lieutenant Raley in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Kimble under the command of General Marion & that he was gone on this campaign 6 months -- That in December 1781 he saw said William Malone mustered into the foot company commanded by Captain Douglass Starkes, that he was gone on this campaign upwards of 3 months.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 13th day of May 1833.

S/ George W. Lane

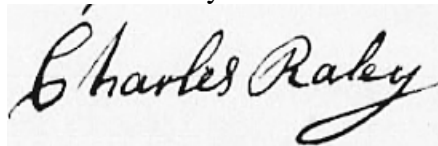
S/ Cornelius Mellone

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cornelius Mellone".

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Personally appeared before me George W. Lane Judge of the County Court of the County of Limestone Charles Raley aged Seventy years & being duly sworn according to law, saith, that in December 1781 he saw said William Malone when he joined the foot company under the command of Captain Douglass Starkes, that he served with said William Malone under Captain Starkes at Orangeburg where affiant & said Malone were stationed & served three months -- That he was with said Malone & served the whole of said three months together under Major Mee & General Sumter at Orangeburg.

S/ Charles Raley

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles Raley".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$90 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the South Carolina cavalry and one year in the South Carolina infantry, all in the militia service.]