

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cornelius Mellone (Malone)¹ S31834

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State of Alabama Morgan County:

At an Orphan's Court of said County of Morgan, being a Court of Record of said County, on the 3rd Monday in August being the 20th day of said month in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of said Court now sitting, Cornelius Mallone [sic] a resident of said County & State of the age of seventy-four years the 17th of January last, 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. The field officers were Colonel John Marshall, and Major __ Ballard. The Company officers were Captain Douglas Starkes [Douglas Starke], Captain John Watts and lastly under Captain William Nettles, all of which were of the South Carolina militia, being transferred occasionally from one captaincy to another. That he entered the service about one month after Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780], and continued in the service about 19 or 20 months before he left the same. That he resided in the State of South Carolina, Cheraw County when he entered the service; that he was a volunteer. That he was engaged in no general battles but in one or 2 skirmishes with the Tories. That he was altogether engaged in his own State of South Carolina. That he was not in service of any of the officers of the Continental line. That he has no documentary Evidence of his service, and received no written discharge. And 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.

S/ M. M. Mackenzie, Clerk

S/ Cornelius Mellone

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cornelius Mellone". The signature is written in a cursive style with some ink bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.

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State of Alabama Morgan County: Personally appeared in open Court William Mallone who

¹ Indexed under "Cornelius Malone" but the veteran clearly signed his name "Cornelius Mellone."

resides in the County of Limestone in said State and made oath that he knows the said Cornelius Malone whose name is signed to the foregoing declaration that he knows that he served as a volunteer in the South Carolina Militia in the Revolutionary War, for above twelve months & how much longer he knows not -- whilst under the Command of General Sumpter and Marion. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ M. M. Mackenzie, Clerk

S/ William Malone, X his mark

[p 20: John T. Rather and Reuben Chapman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Alabama Morgan County: Personally appeared in Open Court Charles Raley² who resides in the County and State aforesaid and made oath that he knows that Cornelius Malone who signed the foregoing declaration served as a soldier in the Revolutionary War. That he saw him in the service at Lawrence's Ferry on Santee River in the State of South Carolina and said witness was relieved (on parole) by said Malone from said Station. But how long said Malone served this witness saith not.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Charles Raley

S/ M. M. Mackenzie, Clerk

[John T. Rather & R. Chapman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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An Amended Declaration

State of Alabama Morgan County: SS

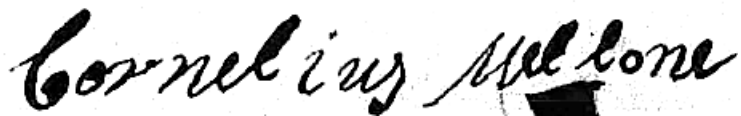
On this the 21st day of May in the year 1833 personally appeared before the Orphan's Court of the County of Morgan aforesaid Cornelius Malone a resident of said County of Morgan State of Alabama in open Court the court now [?] sitting who had heretofore to wit on the 3rd Monday being the 20th day of August 1832 in said Orphan's Court of Morgan County filed an original Declaration of which this is an amendment doth on his oath make the following Amendment to his original Declaration to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States on the 20th of September 1780 under Captain Douglas Starkes and James Canty Lieutenant a volunteer and a private at Camden South Carolina and from thence we were marched to Lawrence's Ferry on Santee River where I was stationed and transferred to the command of Captain John Wats [Watts] we were three weeks after I entered the service before I got to this station and remained at said station two months from which station I was marched to Orangeburg -- in marching to Orangeburg and whilst remaining there was five weeks in service from Orangeburg I again was marched back to Camden again under the same officers in marching to Camden and whilst remaining there I served three weeks at which place I was permitted to return home where I remained three weeks I resided at that time ten [?] miles from Camden in Cheraw County -- I again returned to the service under the command of Captain William Nettles as a volunteer and a private in [sic, I] entered the service at Camden again the 10th day of April 1781 & was marched to different stations to wit Kingstree and from thence to Lynches Creek and remained but a short time at any one place & served in this campaign three months being dismissed from service as well as I can recollect on the 10th July 1781 during these tours heretofore mentioned I joined no bodies of Regular Troops and had no higher officers in command at the stations over me then a Captain but

² [Charles Raley W5660](#)

John Marshall and Major Ballard were field officers in command when I entered the service at [2 or more indecipherable words]. I remained at home after the above tour one week and again joined the Troops at Black River under the command of Captain Gordon [Robert Gordon] and was in scouting parties in pursuit of Tories for one month and then was marched to Camden where I returned home again and remained at home four weeks and then joined the Troops at Camden under the command of Captain Starke in the first of September 1781 at which place last mentioned there was confined a large number of Tories Prisoners and where he remained in service until the first of July 1782 as well as this applicant can recollect that he served at this time ten months making his whole service for which he claims a pension nineteen months that from old age and loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise date of and rained and leaving the service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods above mentioned and for which he claims a pension. This applicant states that there is no clergyman living near him or in his immediate the Senate he who can state as to his age or to his being reputed a soldier of the revolution that he had produced before 2 of his County men who were respectable and both of home were members of the State legislature who could prove his age and their belief of his reputation of being a soldier in the Revolutionary war. This affiant states there is no living witness by whom he can prove any of his service except William Malone and Charles Raley who were previously sworn on his original declaration, that there is no clergyman he can procure unless by going to another County of the State and then at great expense and this affiant is not able to get said witness to this court to get his testimony. He states that he was born in Cheraw County South Carolina [indecipherable word] in the The town of Camden 17th of January 1759 -- He states that he has no record of his age. He states that he is known to John T. Rathner and Reuben Chapman, who signed the original Declaration in his own neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Cornelius Mellone

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cornelius Mellone". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

S/ M. M. Mackenzie, Clerk

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$63.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 19 months in the South Carolina militia.]