

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John McDade S31856

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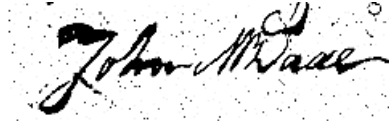
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State of Georgia Gwinnett County: Inferior Court December Term 1833

On the 9th day of December 1833 personally appeared in open Court (it being a Court of Record) now sitting John McDade a resident of the said County of Gwinnett & State aforesaid aged eighty-five 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 & served as herein after stated (to wit) That he entered the service in Berkeley County & State of Virginia (where he then resided) as a volunteer Riflemen, for the term of one year in a Rifle Company commanded by Captain Hugh Stephenson, Lieutenants George Scott & William Hancher in the month of June 1775 that he marched from Shepherd's Town [Shepherdstown] for Boston & after a forced march of 25 days reached Roxberry [Roxbury] where we were stationed until March 1776 at which time we were ordered to Dortchesster Hill [Dorchester Heights] where we remained until Boston was Evacuated by the enemy, from thence we were marched to New York where we remained for some time & from thence to Staten Island where we remained until we were regularly discharged at the expiration of the full time of one year for which he volunteered for; During all the before mentioned service or at least during the stay at Roxbury was under the command of General George Washington who was stationed at Cambridge that being headquarters. Afterwards (to wit) That in the year 1777 he volunteered again for a three months Tower [tour] in the County of Frederick & State of Virginia in Captain William Helmes [William Helm's?] Company Colonel Marquis Calames [Lt. Col. Marquis Calmes¹] Regiment attached to General Stephenson's [sic, probably General Edward Stevens'] Brigade and marched from Frederick County for the main Army which he believes was at Reddin [sic Reading Pennsylvania?], remained the full three months in service & was regularly discharged. That he was born in the year 1748 in Chester County in the State of Pennsylvania from thence he came to the state of Virginia & County of Berkeley thence to Frederick County & said State of Virginia from thence to the State of South Carolina in Greenville district & from thence to the State of Georgia & County of Gwinnett where he now resides that both of his Discharges are lost or mislaid so that he cannot find them. That he has no documentary evidence nor neither does he know of any person living by whom he can Establish his said before mentioned services excepting Henry Bedinger of Berkeley County & State of Virginia whose affidavit I here with transmit and William Calamese formerly of the County of Frederick & State of Virginia but now of the district of Newberry & State of South Carolina whose affidavit is likewise transmitted. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and

¹ [Marquis Calmes S12674](#)

declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.
Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open court
(Attest) Wm Maltbie, Clk S/ John McDade



[Kinchen Rambo, a clergyman and John H Hammond gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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South Carolina Newberry District: Personally appeared before me William Calmes Senior² who being duly sworn makes oath that John McDade who is about to apply for a Pension for services during the Revolution and at this time resides in the State of Georgia Gwinnett County as deponent is informed and believes is the same John McDade who entered the Army of the Revolution in the year 1777 in company with this deponent, they entered the company of Captain William Holmes, Colonel Marquis Calmes's Regiment, attached to General Stevens's Brigade who at the time was under an arrest for some supposed offense that at that time said McDade was a resident of Frederick County Virginia as well as this deponent [recollects], and to my knowledge he was in the service three months.

Sworn to before me the 23rd of September 1833
S/ Y. J. Harrington, J Qu S/ Wm Calmes



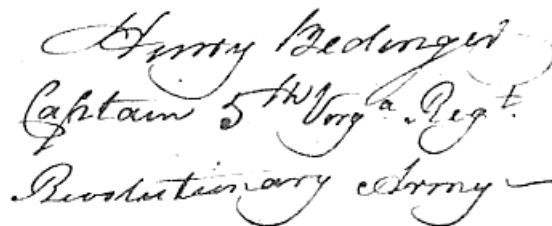
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Berkeley County Virginia August 27th 1833

I Henry Bedinger³ of Berkeley County and State of Virginia do Certify that John McDade and myself entered Captain Hugh Stephenson's Company of Volunteer Riflemen in the month of June 1775 for one-year that we marched together in said Company from Shepherd's Town to the Siege of Boston, that said John McDade faithfully served in said Company during the term for which he had entered the same, and was honorably discharged.

Given under my hand this 27th day of August 1833

S/ Henry Bedinger
Captain 5th Virginia Regiment
revolutionary Army



² [William Calmes S9303](#)

³ [Henry Bedinger S8059](#)

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months in the Virginia service.]