

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaiah Mobley (Mobly) S31864

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Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford

On this 7th day of February A.D. 1834 personally before me John Shannon a justice of the peace in & for said County of Crawford & Territory of Arkansas, came Isaah Mobley [sic, Isaiah Mobley] a citizen of said County aged 79 years the 14th day of December 1833 who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States of America in the month of June 1774 or 1775 he does not distinctly recollect which as a private Soldier 1st a volunteer for 2 months & served 14 days in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Lieutenant Ephraim Lisle [Ephraim Liles?], which company was attached to a Regiment of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel John Winn, the number of the Regiment he does not recollect. 2nd he states that he volunteered & served a tour of 3 months as a private soldier in a company commanded by Captain \_\_\_ Booy [sic, John Bowie] who was an officer that belonged to the Regular Army of the United States & commanded a company of Regular Soldiers together with other volunteers & South Carolina Militia who were attached to his company, which company was attached to a Regiment of regular troops commanded by Colonel Stark & was stationed at while at Ninety Six & marched from thence to Charlestown, 3rd he states that he was drafted & served a tour of 2 months as a private soldier in a company commanded by Lieutenant Ephraim Lisle which company was attached to the same Regiment & commanded by the same Colonel as above stated, 4th, he states that he was drafted & served a tour of 2 months as a private soldier in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Captain John Pearson which company was attached to the above named & commanded by the same Colonel. 5th, he states that he was drafted & served as a private Soldier 2 months in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Lieutenant Ephraim Lisle (or Capt. Amenius Lisle [Aramana Liles], he does not recollect which) which company was attached to the same Regiment as above (which said Regiment was now commanded by Colonel Richard Winn, 6th, he states that he was drafted & served 2 months as a private soldier in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Captain William Vaughn [sic, William Vaughn], which was attached to a Regiment of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel David Hopkins, the same all of the above services were rendered in -- he further states that all of the above services was rendered in the State of South Carolina & that General Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] commanded the South Carolina Militia during the whole time he was in the Service (he also states that he does not recollect the number of the Regiment at any time when he was in the service). He further states that he was

not in any General Engagements with the British troops during his services, but was in several skirmishes with the Tories, & Indians that he was slightly wounded by a ball passing through the arm between the wrist & elbow he further states that during this several tours that he served he was stationed at the following places to wit 1st at Savannah River in the State of South Carolina (opposite the Town of Augusta in the State of Georgia) 2nd at Ninety Six, 3rd at Charlestown, 4th at Orangeburg, 5th Marshall's Mill. 6<sup>th</sup> at Hampton's quarter, 7th at the four holes & 8th at the 3 forks of Edisto River, & was discharged from the service in the State of South Carolina in the month of June or July 1782. He states he has no documentary evidence by which he can prove his services, that such documents as he had relative to his services during the Revolutionary War have been destroyed by fire, from the circumstance of his house having been burned by fire in the year 1806. He further states that he knows of no person or persons in this Territory by whom he can prove his services as they are stated in his declaration except his Brother Clement Mobley by him he expects to prove every material fact as is stated in this declaration & by his wife Sebella Mobley he expects to prove that he was called into the service as stated in his declaration & that he was in the service as stated & by both of them he expects to prove his character for veracity & good behavior. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or annuity, except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any Agency in any State or Territory

(Interrogatories to be propounded by the Court.)

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

A. I was born in the State of South Carolina in the year 1754 or 1755 from the best information I have been able to get on that subject.

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A. I have none. I had a record of my age in my family Bible which was burned in my house in 1806.

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A. I was living in Fairfield district in the State of South Carolina when I entered the service & have since lived in the same district & State for a number of years & removed from thence to the State of Kentucky in the year 1807 & settled in Warren County in said State from thence I removed to Crawford County Arkansas Territory where I now live in the year of 1830.

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

A. The first campaign I was a volunteer Each of the other tours of duty I was drafted & served as a private soldier

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

A. I do not recollect of any regular officers except Captain Frances Goodwyn (or Gooden) Captain Bowie, Colonel Stark & General Huger, who were with the troops a short time. I do not recollect what Continental or militia Regiments were along with the troops except the Regiment I was attached to, It was part of the time commanded by Colonel John Winn & part by Colonel Richard Winn & the last campaign by Colonel David Hopkins (The number of the Regiment I do not recollect) & the Regiment of Regular troops that was commanded by Colonel Stark; (the number of which I do not recollect.)

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what

has become of it?

A. I received a discharge at the end of my services from Colonel David Hopkins (which was burned in my house in 1806.

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

A. I know of no person in my immediate neighborhood, nor and this Territory, who can Testify to my services as a soldier of the revolution, Except my Brother Clement Mobley & his wife Sebella Mobley, by mind Brother I expect to prove all the facts stated in my declaration & by his wife Sebella I expect to prove that I was called into service at several different times & by both of them I expect to prove my character for veracity & good behavior, & he further states that from age & bodily infirmity he is not able to go to the courthouse in this County to testify in open court, without greatly endangering his health.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this day & year aforesaid

S/ John Shannon, JP

S/ Isaiah Mobley, X his mark

Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford: This 7th day of February A.D. 1834 Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the peace for said County of Crawford Isaiah Mobley the declarant in the foregoing & annexed declaration for a pension as one of the Soldiers of the Revolution, who being duly sworn saith that by reason of old age & consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service (nor to all the circumstances which took place during his services; but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades &c as a private soldier (11) months & 14 days & for which service he claims a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this date above written.

S/ John Shannon, JP

S/ Isaiah Mobley, X his mark

Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford: On this 7th day of February A.D. 1834 personally came Clement Mobley<sup>1</sup> a citizen of said County of Crawford & of lawful age before me a justice of the peace for said County who being duly sworn according to law saith that he verily believes that all the facts as they are stated in the foregoing & annexed declaration of Isaiah Mobley as one of the Revolutionary Soldiers are just & true & that said declarant has always & still sustains a good character for veracity & good behavior & that he believes him to be of the age of 79 years as he states in his declaration.

Sworn & subscribed before me this date above written.

S/ John Shannon, JP

S/ Clement Mobley, X his mark

Territory of Arkansas, County of Crawford: On this 7th day of February A.D. 1834, Personally came Sebella Mobley of said County & of lawful age before me John Shannon a justice of the peace for said County & who after being duly sworn saith that she has been acquainted with Isaiah Mobley the declarant in the foregoing and annexed declaration for a pension that she knows of his being in the Service several different times & further she states that she verily

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<sup>1</sup> [Clement Mobley S31866](#)

believes that the facts & statements made in said declaration are true & further states that said declarant has always & still sustains the character of a man of veracity & good behavior & that he is 79 years of age as he stated in his declaration.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this date above

S/ John Shannon, JP

S/ Sibbella Mobley, X her mark [sic]

[Facts in file: Veteran died October 23, 1836.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the South Carolina militia.]