

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Clement Mobley (Clemmant Mobly) S31866

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford

On this 7th day of February 1834 personally before me John Shannon a justice of the peace in and for said County of Crawford came Clemmant Mobley a citizen of said County & Territory aged 87 years the 4th day of October 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 as a private soldier of the United States of America in the month of July 1775 1st he was drafted for a tour [sic, tour] of 3 months by the legal authority and paid 50 pounds to Captain Robert Hancock to hire a substitute in his place (which was accordingly done); 2nd he was drafted for a tour of 3 months & served the 3 months under Captain Robert Hancock [Robert Hancock] who commanded a company of South Carolina Militia which was attached to a Regiment of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel John Winn; 3rd he was drafted by the legal authority & served 3 months under the same Captain as above was attached to the same Regiment which was commanded by the same Colonel as above; 4th he entered the service as a volunteer and served a tour of 3 months in a company of Regular soldiers, together with some Militia or volunteers of the State of South Carolina commanded by Captain Booy [sic, John Bowie] who was a regular officer that belonged to the United States Army (& was stationed at while at Ninety Six & marched from thence to Charlestown which company was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Stark [Robert Stark], an officer who belonged to the Army of the United States); 5th he was drafted and served a tour of 2 months in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Captain Armenious Lisle [sic, Aramana Liles, Aramanous Liles, Armenius Liles], which company was attached to a Regiment of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel Richard Winn; 6th was drafted & served a tour of 2 months in a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Lieutenant Ephraim Lisle [sic, Ephraim Lisles], which was attached to a Regiment of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel Richard Winn; 7th he was drafted for a tour of 2 months & served the same under Lieutenant William Vaughn [sic, William Vaughn], which Regiment was attached to a company of South Carolina Militia commanded by Colonel David Hopkins, & marched from thence to the fore hols [sic, four holes], and from thence was sent to General Hugar [sic, Isaac Huger?], an officer who belonged to the regular Army of the United States who gave him a permit to be absent a fortnight & then to return to his quarter dated July 25th 1782 which his marked (C) & herewith enclosed for the inspection of the proper officers.

He states that all of the above services were rendered in the State of South Carolina between the years 1775 & 1782 & furthermore that he was at each time called out by the Legal authority of the State of South Carolina, and that he was at no time in any General Engagement

with the British troops but was in small skirmishes with the Tories & that General Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] commanded the whole time that he was in the service, he states the only documentary evidence that he has of his services consist of his oath of fidelity marked (A) dated 29 June 1778, a permit to travel in the State of North Carolina to hunt horses dated 24th May 1782 signed D. Hopkins Colo. M. which is marked (B.), the permit mentioned in a former part of this declaration dated July the 23rd 1782 signed I. Huger B. General marked (C.) & one other permit to travel into the State of Georgia dated 15th May 1784 signed D. Hopkins Colonel commandant & marked (D.) all of which are herewith enclosed for the inspection of the proper officers, he states that he knows of no person or persons by whom he can prove his actual services, except his brother Isaah Mobley [sic, Isaiah Mobley] who now resides in this country & neighborhood by him he believes that he can prove all of the material facts, as they are set forth in this declaration, & by Frances Mobley the wife of his brother Isaiah Mobley he believes he can prove the general services as they are stated in the foregoing declaration. -- he further states that he is old and infirm in body (too much so to go to court house in the County above named to testify in open court without great inconvenience to himself & greatly endangering his health[]), he further states that his brother Isaiah Mobley & Frances Mobley who he has named as witnesses to prove the facts in his declaration are old & infirm in body & that [it] would be attended with great inconvenience & greatly endangering their health to go to the courthouse in this County to be examined in open court (the distance being upwards of 30 miles). 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 any State, or Territory;

Interrogatories propounded by the Court.

1st Where and in what year were you born?

A. I was born in the State of Virginia Bedford County in the year 1746 from the best information that I have had upon that subject.

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

A. I have none, my age was recorded in my Bible which is long since been lost or mislaid

3rd 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 the State of South Carolina when called into the service shortly after the close of the war I removed to Madison County in the State of Kentucky, from thence I removed to Warren County in the same State, where I remained until April 1831 & from thence I removed to Crawford County Arkansas Territory where I now live.

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

A. I was drafted 6 times as mentioned in my declaration twice I volunteered for 3 months each & [indecipherable word] with Captain ___ Booy [Bowie] as stated in my declaration.

5th 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. Captain Booy [Bowie], Colonel ___ Stark & General ___ Huger were the only regular officers that I recollect at this time Colonel Stark commanded a Regiment (the number of which I do not recollect it was I believe a Regiment of Regular troops) the other regiments that was with us were South Carolina Militia, sometimes commanded by Colonel John Winn, & sometimes by Colonel Richard Winn & one campaign by Colonel David Hopkins, I do not recollect the number of any of the Regiments. I was first drafted for 3 months & paid Captain Hancock 50 pounds to hire a substitute. 2nd I was drafted to go to Sullivan's Island & served 3 months under Captain Hancock. 3rd I was again drafted to go to Sullivan's Island & served 3 months under Captain

Hancock. 4th I volunteered my services & served 3 months under Captain ___ Booy who was a Regular officer & commanded a company of Regular soldiers; together with some volunteers & South Carolina Militia & was stationed a while at Ninety Six, & marched from thence to Charlestown, in the State of South Carolina & there joined a Regiment commanded by Colonel Stark, a Regular officer, belonging to the Army of the United States; 5th was drafted & served 2 months with Captain Lisle & was stationed at Orangeburg. 6th I was drafted & served 2 months with Lieutenant Ephraim Lisle & was again stationed at Orangeburg. 7th I was drafted & served 2 months with Captain Vaughn & was stationed at while at the four holes, & was sent from thence to General Huger on Santee River, and officer who belonged to the Regular Army of the United States.

6th 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 never received a written discharge from the service for any tour of duty that I served, I was always [indecipherable word] at the end of the time for which I was engaged which was the custom at that time as well as I now recollect.

7th 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 do not know of any person or persons in this Territory by whom I can prove my services as they are stated, in the foregoing & annexed declaration except my Brother of Isaiah Mobley by him I believe that I can prove all of the material facts as they are stated in this declaration & by his wife Frances Mobley I expect to prove my General service partly of her knowledge & partly from reputation, & by both of them I expect to be able to prove my character for veracity & good paid year & would further state that there is no clergyman in my immediate neighborhood, nor is there any in the County of my knowledge that has known me more than a few months so as to testify to reputation as a soldier of the Revolution.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & 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 before me John Shannon a justice of the peace in & for said County of Crawford came Isaah Mobley [sic, Isaiah Mobley]¹ who being a citizen of said County & of lawful age & after being duly sworn saith that the facts & statements as they are set forth in the annexed & foregoing declaration of Clement Mobley relative to his services as a Revolutionary Soldier are just & true & he further states that he has known the said declarant ever since he was a boy & was with him part of the time the above services were performed & that he has always sustained & still sustains the character of a man of veracity & good behavior & he believes him to be of the age of 87 years as stated in his declaration & that from age & bodily infirmity he believes said he is unable to go to the courthouse in this County to testify in open court without great inconvenience to himself & greatly endangering his health.

Sworn to & subscribed this date above before me.

S/ Isaiah Mobley, X his mark

S/ John Shannon, JP

Territory of Arkansas County of Crawford: On this 7th day of February A.D. 1834 Personally

¹ [Isaiah Mobley S31864](#)

appeared before me John Shannon a justice of the peace for said County came Frances Mobley who being a citizen of said County & of lawful age & duly sworn saith that she also young at the time the services spoken of by Clement Mobley, the declarant in the annexed & foregoing declaration, she recollects distinctly that he was frequently out in the service, & further she believes that the facts as they are stated in his declaration are all of them just & true & that she has known him from that time to the present that he has always sustained that character of a man of veracity & good behavior. Sworn & subscribed before me this date as above.

S/ John Shannon, JP

S/ Frances Mobley, X her mark

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The bearer Cleament Moubely [sic] has leave of absence a furlough from this day when he is to return to my Quarters July 22nd 1782.

S/ Is. Huger, B. Genl.

The bearer Cleament Moubely has
leave of absence a fortnight from
this day when he is to return to my
Quarters July 22th 1782
Is. Huger B. Genl.

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South Carolina Camden District: The Bearer hereof Mr. Clement Mobberley [sic] has permission to travel to the State of No. Carolina in search of horses stolen from him And to Return home unmolested he behaving agreeable to the law as he has behaved himself as a friend to the United States of America. Given under my hand this 24th day of May 1782.

S/ D. Hopkins, Col. M.

South Carolina Camden District: The Bearer hereof Mr. Clement Mobberley has permission to travel to the State of No. Carolina in search of horses stolen from him And to Return home unmolested he behaving agreeable to the law as he has behaved himself as a friend to the United States of America. Given under my hand this 24th day of May 1782
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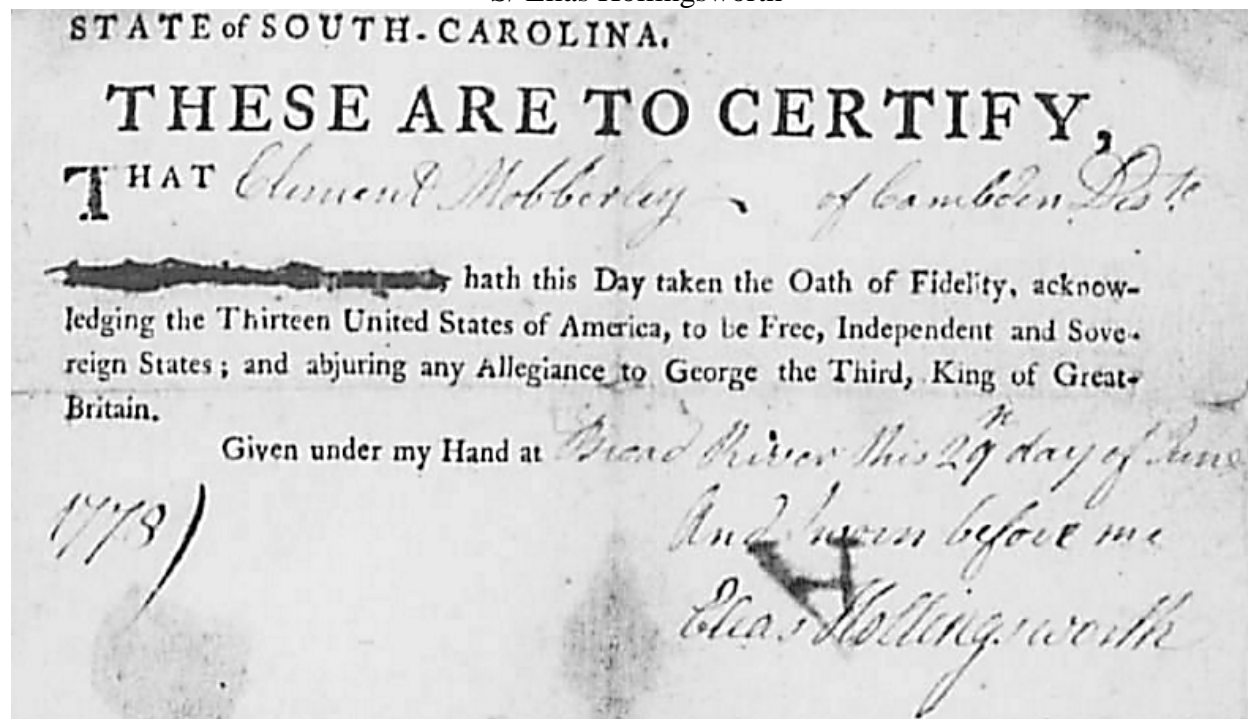
State of South Carolina

These are to Certify, that Clement Mobberley [sic] of Camden District has this Day taken the Oath of Fidelity, acknowledging the Thirteen United States of America, to be Free, Independent and Sovereign States; and abjuring any Allegiance to George the Third, King of Great Britain.

Given under my hand at Broad River this 29th day of June 1778

And sworn before me

S/ Elias Hollingsworth



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So. Carolina Camden District: The Bearer hereof Clement Mobberley [sic] has a Mind to Travel into the State of Georgia on Business he has free permission to pass and repass about the same unmolested he being Agreeable to Law as he has ever supported an honest character. Given under my hand this 15th day of May 1784.

S/ D. Hopkins, Colo. Comt.

So Carolina Camden Dist. The Bearer hereof Clement Mobberley has a Mind to Travel into the State of Georgia on Business he has free permission to pass and repass about the same unmolested he being Agreeable to Law as he has ever supported an honest character. Given under my hand this 15th day of May 1784. D. Hopkins, Colo. Comt.

[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.]