

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Charles Slocumb (Slocomb) S31966

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Georgia, Jones County

On this eighth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Thomas B. Slade, John R. Moore and Travis A. D. Weaver the Court of Ordinary now sitting, John Charles Slocumb, a resident of the United States, in the County of Jones and State of Georgia, aged 71 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 7, 1832.

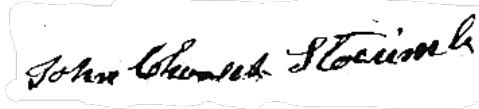
That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. This applicant states that the names and rank of the field and company officers were General Linnington [sic, John Alexander Lillington], Captain Taylow [sic, Jonathan Taylor] and Lieutenant Goodman, Colonel Brown [Thomas Brown] and Major Andrews [sic, Stephen Andres] and that he was drafted just before Christmas 1780 and repaired to Fayetteville North Carolina to go into service which he did immediately after 20 December 1780. He further states he was drafted for three months and after serving out the time faithfully volunteered in the same company and under the same officers for one months longer. And that in three days after the expiration of the time for which he had volunteered, he again volunteered for six months in a Light horse company – Nicholas Bowden being Captain Lieutenant Watkins, Cornet Hooks, Major James Love commanded the horse company of Dupeland [sic, Duplin] County in which this applicant lived. After having served for six months this applicant volunteered for three months longer in the same company & under the same officers. Left the service in 1782 the exact time not recollected. This applicant lived in Duplin County North Carolina. This applicant was engaged in the battle at Guilford Court house in North Carolina during his first term of service. At which General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] commanded and he was also engaged in the battle at blue fords bridge [sic, Buford's Bridge]¹ when General Linnington [John Alexander Lillington] commanded and he was also at a battle at Rock fish bridge² where the light horse Captain Bowden commanded. This applicant states that he marched from Fayetteville to Guilford Court house and from thence to blue fords bridge 10 miles from Wilmington. General Greene & General Huger [Isaac Huger] were there officers of the regular Army with whom this applicant was acquainted. He has no documentary evidence and knows no person living, by whose testimony he can prove his service. This applicant states he was born in 1761 – he has a record of his age in the family Bible at his house. He lived in Duplin County North Carolina when he entered the service. Since the war he moved to Georgia has lived in that state & was and is now a resident of Jones County. He had a

¹ J D Lewis notes: "The bridge was a recently constructed "swing bridge" that was built by a man named Mr. Buford in the early 1770s. But, by the late 1770s, it had been purchased by a Mr. Heron and everyone in the vicinity knew it as Heron's Bridge - primarily because he strengthened it considerably and made it much more reliable. But, the "old timers" still called it Buford's Bridge." January 30, 1781 https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_herons_bridge.html

² Legat's Bridge, May 13, 1781 https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_legats_bridge.html

discharge from Colonel Brown – but it has been lost or misplaced. This applicant is known to the Honorable Henry G. Lamar, Judges Weaver, Slade, Northern, Peterson and Moore, Gideon Mason, Samuel Lowther, John Low, James Smith, Robert the Hardiman and in fact almost every man in the said County of Jones, in the said State. This applicant does hereby relinquish 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 whatever.

S/ John Charles Slocumb

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Charles Slocumb", enclosed in a hand-drawn rectangular border.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Travis A. D. Weaver, JIC

S/ Thomas B. Slade, JIC

S/ John R. Moore, JIC

[Gideon Mason, a clergyman, and John Hill Lewis gave this standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50.83 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 13 months service as a private in the infantry and cavalry of the North Carolina militia.]