

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Archibald Underwood S32030

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State of Georgia, Jackson County

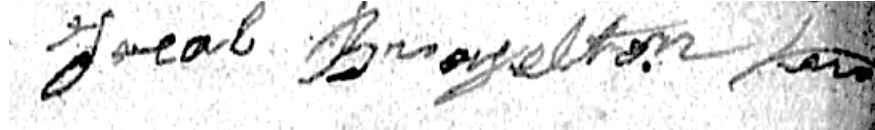
On this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, personally appeared in open court, before the Inferior Court of said County, now sitting, Archibald Underwood, a resident of Jackson County and State aforesaid, aged 75 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as here in stated:

That he served a tour of three months in the year 1781 under Captain Waller [Nathaniel Waller], Lt. Benjamin Moore, Major Richard Cook, Colonel Joseph Taylor & General \_\_\_ Butler [John Butler] in North Carolina. [He] was in no action or skirmish of any kind with the Enemy either Tories or British. He was drafted in Granville County for the above service. After the expiration of this tour he was drafted again for three months under Captain Banks, Lt. Moore, [&] Ensign William Rose and before arriving at the place of rendezvous he, together with all the mechanics, were taken out of the Camps & put to work at his trade of saddle making in Hillsboro N. C. for the public service. In this service he did not make any new saddles and only mended such as needed it & also the wagon gear &c. He was under Colonel L. Thomas [sic, probably, Abisha Thomas] who was stationed there for the express purpose of attending to the tradesmen at work for the public service. He understood from the officers is that the service at his trade would be taken as a service in the Camp & as such served out the three months for which he was drafted. Just before the taking of Lord Cornwallis at York, the applicant volunteered under Captain Stephen Merritt, Lieut. Moore and Ensign William Rose to join General Washington before Yorktown -- but before we arrived there, the news of the surrender [October 17, 1781] was brought to us. We were disbanded & each returned home his own way. He was out probably two weeks in this service. He served in all a little over six months, all together in the militia. He never received any discharges from any of his services. He was born, he thinks, in Brunswick Virginia on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March he has learned from his mother but does not recollect the year but reckons himself 75 years of age. He was living in Granville County N.C. when called into service. Since the war he lived 16 years in a Rowan County N.C. & for the last 25 years in Georgia. He has no written or verbal evidence to prove his claim except the affidavit of Jacob Brazelton hereto attached, who is too old & infirm to be brought to Court to testify personally. He names as persons in his present neighborhood who can testify if called on to his veracity & their belief of his services as soldier of the revolution: John Rudling [?], Perry Bowen, & Barnabas Bowen.

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Georgia, Jackson County: Personally appeared before me Jacob Braselton an acting Justice of the Peace for Said County Jacob Braselton Senior, who being duly sworn Deposeth and Saith that Archibald Underwood served a Three Months tour in the Revolutionary War as a Militia Man In Company with said Deponent in the State of North Carolina while a Citizen of Granville County Under the Command of General Butler & Col. Joseph Tayler [Taylor], Major Richard Cook, Capt. Nathaniel Waller, Lieutenant Benjamin Moore, were the officers they Served Under in the Year one thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty [one]. Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November 1832.

S/ Jacob Braselton Senr. [?]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacob Braselton Senr." The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

S/ Jacob Braselton, JP

I certify that the above witness is credible & the Magistrate's Signature is genuine & he is an acting magistrate.

S/ J. Clayton.

I certify that the Authentication by Sylvania Ripley as Clerk is correct; he is the Clerk & it is his Signature.

S/ J. Clayton.

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 agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/Archibald Underwood, X. his mark

[Note: The above relinquishment and signature were taken from the HeritageQuest.com version of the "Selected Records" portion of the federal pension files. It does not appear in the Fold3.com version. Unfortunately, the HQ version of the "Selected Records" is no longer available online. ]

[p 12: On August 19, 1851 in Jackson County Georgia Elizabeth Yarborough of said County appointed an attorney to review the declaration and proof submitted by her father Archibald Underwood for a pension for his services in the revolution. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private months in the North Carolina militia.]