

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Bailey S32108

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[Note: The image of the original application as posted on Fold3.com. is almost is illegibly faint. The images of that document posted on HeritageQuest.com are much more legible.]

State of Illinois, Vermilion County

On this 5th day of November 1832 personally appeared in open Court the said Court being a Probate Court in and for said County now sitting Robert Bailey resident in the County aforesaid aged Seventy one years born on the 15th day of July 1761 in Roan [sic Rowan] County State of North Carolina, 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.

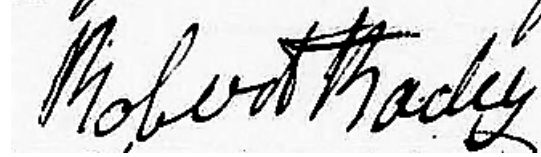
That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he this declarant volunteered in the Service of the [United States in the] Year 1780 In the County of Rowan aforesaid In the Company commanded by Captain Reed [Samuel Reid] and Lieutenant Mackaboy, Marched from Rowan County aforesaid to Lynches Creek, there Joined the Militia that were rendezvousing to go against Cornwallis and was commanded by Colonel Wolford [William Wofford] Marched from thence to Rugeley's Mills there Joined General Gates [Horatio Gates] marched a great part of the night before General Gates was defeated [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] in the direction of Camden. This declarant was unable to perform Military duty at that time and was turned back with the troops that were routed in the battle at Gates defeat, we were discharged after performing a three months Tour.

This said declarant entered the Service aforesaid on a second engagement. Drafted from the Militia in the County of Rowan aforesaid in the Company Commanded by Captain Bell [William Bell] Lieutenant Henry in the Regiment commanded by Colonel McDowell [Charles McDowell] Marched in the Fall of the year '81 from the County aforesaid, Crossed the Big Atkin [sic, Yadkin River], from thence to Cross Creek in North Carolina, Crossed the Big Pedee [River] Marched from thence to Wilmington. The British had evacuated Wilmington before the company and Regiment that this declarant belonged to arrived, was Stationed a few days at Wilmington and he was discharged and returned home served on this Tour of about three months.

He this said declarant moved from the State of North Carolina to the State of Georgia Settled in the County of Green in said State Volunteered under the Command of Colonel Landers in the Company of Captain Rutledge on the second Tour against the Indians in the Frontier of Georgia On a third Tour against the Indians this declarant volunteered in the company commanded by Captain Reed. On a fourth tour against the Indians this declarant volunteered in the company commanded by Captain Brantly. On the fifth Tour this said declarant volunteered in the Company commanded by Captain Rains aforesaid Lieutenant Reese under the Command of Colonel Marr he Served in all the above tours against the Indians about sixteen months, this Said declarant Saith he has no documentary evidence in his possession and that he knows of no person that can testify to his Services in the revolutionary war.

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 the agency of any State.

S/ Robert Bailey



Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

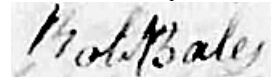
S/ A. Williams, Judge of Probate

[James Newall & Alexander Bailey gave the standard certification of reputation for veracity, age and belief in his neighborhood of his revolutionary services.]

State of Illinois, Vermilion County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County Robert Bailey who being duly Sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory, he cannot Swear positively as to the precise length of his Service but according to the best of his recollection he Served not less than the periods mentioned below & in the following grades: To wit: I served for the term of 15 days, we were drafted for three months were not needed any longer returned home to be in readiness but was never called Drafted in June 1779. Drafted to Join General Gates I Served three months. Drafted first of June 1781 discharged in September 1781. Commanded by Captain Reed Colonel Wolford I Served three months Drafted September 1781 discharged in November 1781 commanded by Captain Bell Colonel McDowell General Rutherford I Served six months under Captain Rains [?] volunteered first of April 1783 Discharge September 1786 Commanded by Colonel Lamar I Served under Captain Reed on the first tour against the Indians or five days In the month of April 1782 second tour against the Indians I Served five days under Captain Rutledge in the month of June 1782, Third tour against the Indians I served five days in the month June aforesaid under Captain Brantley. And for such Services by claim a pension.

S/ Robt. Baly



Sworn & Subscribed before me James Newell this 11th day of June 1833.

S/ James Newell, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$38.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 11 ½ months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]