

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathaniel Chambers S32171

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State of Indiana Washington County: SS: Washington Circuit Court September Term 1832

On this 27 day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the said Court now sitting being a Court of Record Nathaniel Chambers, a resident of said County of Washington and State aforesaid aged seventy 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 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That he entered as a Volunteer and private soldier for six months by joining a company at Surry Court House in Surry County in the State of North Carolina where he then resided under Captain Henry Smith which belonged to the Regiment under Colonel Armstrong – this was in the fall of 1778 – marched from thence to Moravian Town, from thence to Salisbury, from thence to Campden [sic, Camden], from thence to Purrysburg on the Savannah River – from thence marched up the River to a place called two Sisters, and from thence to Matthews Bluff opposite of Augusta, crossed the River and marched to Brier Creek, was in the Battle of Brier Creek<sup>1</sup> after the battle, retired to the main Army and was discharged having served out his tour of six months, which discharge is lost. – In 1781 in Wilkes County on Hunting Creek North Carolina again entered the service as a Substitute for Isaac Mise, a drafted militia man for three months, in a company commanded by Captain Johnson, joined the Regiment under Colonel Cleveland and marched down between Deep River and Cross Creek and traversed the Country during said tour of three months, but was not engaged in any battle, he was then discharged in said County of Wilkes, but his discharge is lost, his services altogether amounted to [illegibly faint interlineations of several words] nine months, – (he was born in the latter part of 1762, has no Record of his age; can prove his services by his Brother William Chambers<sup>2</sup> of Jackson County Indiana), that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person except his brother William Chambers [illegibly faint interlineation of several words] who can testify to his service – (he is known in his neighborhood where he now resides two Andrew Housh, Colonel Ezekiel D Logan, Ebenezer Patrick, John Early, Robert Ellison, Charles Duncan & Colonel Jonathan Lyon who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution) – he hereby

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<sup>1</sup> March 3, 1779 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/briercreek.htm>

<sup>2</sup> FPA S16078

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.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid

S/ Nathaniel Chambers, X his mark

I William Chambers Brother of the said Nathaniel Chambers residing in the County of Jackson & State of Indiana, do on oath declare, that my brother Nathaniel Chambers served as a soldier in the Revolution, that I served with him during the time he has stated in his declaration, and from my own knowledge I know he served as he has stated.

Sworn to in open Court the day & year aforesaid & subscribed

S/ William Chambers

[fn p. 11, the above declaration was sent back for amendment for failure to have the required certificates/testimony of a clergyman and evidence of his character for veracity and reputation in the neighborhood where he resides. On May 14, 1833 in Washington County Indiana, the veteran gave an identical statement of his services to that set forth above. In addition this amended declaration contains the following:

"He has no documentary evidence, and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service, except his Brother William Chambers now a resident of the County of Jackson in the State of Indiana, whose testimony he cannot now procure, without considerable trouble & inconvenience – that the testimony of said witness was attached to the original Declaration of this Declarant made the 27th day of September 1832 and forwarded to the proper Department which has since been returned for amendment and is within forwarded – He further states that there is no clergyman in his immediate vicinity who can testify, from his acquaintance with him, that he is of the age he represents and that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood to have been a revolutionary soldier, and that he cannot procure such evidence from a Clergyman without great inconvenience – 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Nathaniel Chambers, X his mark

[William Logan and John Chambers gave the standard supporting affidavit. The relationship, if any, of John Chambers to the veteran is not stated.]