

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Tedrick S32242

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State of Illinois, Clinton County

On this Second day of September 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the County Commissioners now sitting Michael Tedrick a resident of the County of Clinton State of Illinois aged Eighty one years who being 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.

I volunteered under General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] my Captain's name William Hoy [William Hoyer] Lieutenant Ned Davidson [Edward Davidson] to go against the Cherokee Indians on a three months tour.¹ We marched to the Tennessee towns on Tennessee River & to the Valley Towns where we stayed two or three weeks waiting for the South Carolina troops one morning about sunrise we came up with the Indians in considerable numbers. The Indians fled at our approach. The Indians having fled and dispersed we returned to the Tennessee towns where we stayed some time and then returned home to Anson County N. C. I do not remember the year I served this first three months tour.

The second Tour of three months started from Wake County near Raleigh N. C. do not recollect the General's name, the Captain's name Solomon Wood and Lieutenant named Mark Miatt [Mary Myatt] -- we proceeded towards Cape Fear [River] and Drowning Creek and the White Marsh, and marched up Drowning Creek in pursuit of the Tories – no particular circumstance occurred in this Tour being in pursuit of the Tories and watching their movements.

The Third Tour of three months under General Butler [John Butler] Colonel Malmedy [Francis de Malmedy, Marquis of Bretagne], & Major DeBarron my Captain's name Robert High from Wake C. H. we marched from Wake C. H. early in 1781 toward Cape Fear [River] & Drowning Creek in Ramsey's Mill on Deep River and then head up towards Guilford C. H. on our approach we heard the fire of guns Colonel Malmedy then struck through the woods in the direction of the firing we arrived near the battleground near sunset. The battle [March 15, 1781] by this time was over. The British Army left Guilford C. H. and marched towards Ramsey's Mill and down Cape Fear River, we were on the East Of the River and Followed Them down to about Four Miles of Wilmington on the N. E. River [North East River], we then marched up the N.E. to Peacock's bridge and when they are a few days we received the news that Cornwallis was taken at York, a short time after this we were discharged – my discharge was given me by Colonel Malmedy. This Tour I served as a light horseman on my own horse.

The following interrogatories being propounded by the Court, answers thereto was made,

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html

to wit

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans: I was born at sea my parents coming from Germany in the year 1752 on the 10th

May.

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

Ans: I have no record of my age

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans: In Anson County State of North Carolina, lived since in Wake County about 16 miles from Raleigh up to 1816 – moved at that time to the State of Tennessee and removed from Tennessee to the State of Illinois in November 1830 where I now reside.

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

Ans: I was drafted

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.

Ans: All I can recollect at this time period I have already stated before the first question was propounded

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans: My discharge was given by Colonel mildly but thinking it never would be of service to me I took no care of it – It is lost.

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.

Ans: I am acquainted with Jonathan King, John Gregory James W. Lenox.

I hereby relinquish all claim whatever to a pension or annuity but this present and that my name is not on any pension roll in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Michael Tedrick

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Tedrick". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[Jonathan Jackson King, John Gregory & James W. Lenox gave the standard supporting affidavit]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$32.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the infantry and 3 months in the Cavalry, all in the North Carolina militia.]