

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Pool S32450

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State of Alabama, Perry County: SS

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the circuit court of Perry County now sitting John Pool a resident of the County of Perry in the State of Alabama aged Seventy two 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 herein stated—The name of the Colonel under whom he served was James Williams, the name of the Major was Robert Gillam, and his Captain's name was Isaac Mitchell. This first term of service which was under the said officers commenced in the Fall of the year 1777 and continued three months during which time he was employed principally in guarding a place called Princes' Fort in Laurens District South Carolina in which there was a large quantity of provisions. At the time he entered the service he resided in Newberry District South Carolina. He again entered the service in the Spring of 1778 under John Wallace as Captain, William Robertson as Major, and the before mentioned James Williams as Colonel, during this term of service he was employed in guarding a number of prisoners called at that time the Snow Camp Tories at Ninety Six on the line between Abbeville and Edgefield districts South Carolina. From Ninety Six he went to Orangeburg to which place the prisoners were removed and where he was discharged after having continued in the service a little more than three months. When he entered the service this second term he resided at the same place where he entered the service the first time at which place he continued to reside until the close of the Revolution. He was afterwards several times out for short periods on scouts &c against the Tories, but was not out for any considerable length of time at any one period. During the time he was in the service for the two terms first above mentioned, he was a volunteer militia man. He afterwards during the whole period of the war belonged to what were called the minute men who were liable to be called on at any time to go into service, and on the scouting and other expeditions in which he served, he was sometimes drafted but sometimes volunteered and at others he was hired as a substitute. He was engaged in several skirmishes with the Tories, but in no battle of any considerable consequence whether with them [the Tories] or with the regular British troops. He has no documentary evidence and as he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service."

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/ John Pool, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ D. S. Cowan, Clerk

[James Meek, a clergyman, and James Dosier gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the South Carolina militia.]