

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Wilmoth S32596

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Georgia } On this the [blank] day of September eighteen hundred and thirty two
Hall County } personally appeared in open Court before Ezekiel Buffington Joseph
Dunagen & Thomas S Tate Judges of the Superior Court sitting as Judges of the Court of
Ordinary now sitting, William Wilmoth a resident of Hall County & State of Georgia aged Seventy
three years on the 10th day of March 1832 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 7th day of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and
served as herein stated Volunteered into the service in the year seventeen hundred & seventy
seven but cannot recollect what month of the year under Captain William Nawls Maj'r. Martin
Armstrong Col. John Armstrong Gen'ls. [Horatio] Gates & [Griffith] Rutherford that he resided
in Wilkes County State of North Carolina at the time he entered the service and that he quit the
service after the battle at the Euta Springs [sic: Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781]. deponent first
marched to Camden County [now Kershaw County] South Carolina and was at Gates defeat
[Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780] but not in the engagement being sick and with the baggage,
then returned home & was engaged for about three years under Colo. Benjamin Cleveland in
scouting parties against the toris [sic: Tories]. then marched to the Euta Springs South Carolina
under Capt. Alexander Gordon Maj'r. Armstrong & Colo. John Armstrong Gen'l. Green [sic:
Nathanael Greene] having the command of the army at that place deponent states that he was in
the engagement at that place which continued as his Colo. stated five hours and ten minutes
deponent received a musket ball in the right shoulder the scar of which he yet carries. Deponent
was then discharged and returned home after being three years and six months in actual service.
that he has no written or documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose
testimony he can procure who can testify to his service

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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

Wm hisXmark Wilmoth

State of Georgia } Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the
Hall County } peace in and for said county William Wilmoth who being duly sworn
deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and 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 and in the following grades.
Some time in the year 1777 I volunteered into the service as a private soldier under Capt William
Nawl and was attached to Majr Armstrongs Batallion & Colo Armstrongs Regiment and marched
to the Pine tree [now Camden] a place so called in Camden County and at which place Gen'l.
Gates was defeated. I was discharged after the engagement and returned home haveing served a
tour of three months.

Shortly after getting home there being an other call for men I volunteered for a three
months tour as a private militiaman under Capt ~~Alexander Gordon~~ John Morgan and was
attached to Colo Benjamin Clevelands Regiment and marched to Reinforce Genl Green who lay
with his army at a place called the old trading Ford on the Yadkin River [4 - 5 Feb 1781] but were
mett at Salisbury by some of Gen'l. Greens officers and ordered to return to our own settlements
and guard the tories my term of service having expired I went home.

In a short time after Capt. John Gordons company was called out I again volunteered for
three months as a private militiaman and was attached to Colo Herrings Regiment and marched
to the Moravian Town in North Carolina our Colo. was then ordered by Gen'l. Green to return to
the settlements on New River & guard the tories who he had just learned were embodying in
considerable numbers We found them and had a skirmish and drove them my term of service
then expired & I returned home

In a short time Capt Alexander Gordons Company was called out for three months I again volunteered as a private militiaman into his company and was attached to Colo Armstrongs Regiment and marched to the Santee River [SC] remained there a few days and marched from there to the Eutaw Springs. We were met by a foraging party of the enemy at a Creek about day break and about three miles from the field of action our Cavalry fell upon them and took most of them prisoners. the fighting or skirmishing was continued until we reached the field and in about an hour (as well as I can recollect) I received a musket ball in the right shoulder but remained upon the field until the close of the action. I was shortly there[?] disbanded and returned home

I was not engaged in any civil pursuit during the time of the forgoing service and for such service I claim a pension

1st Inty I was born in the State of New Jersey about seven miles from Amboy in the year 1759 on the 10th day of March.

2nd I have a record of my age which is at home

I am known to Jesse Dobbs Esqr McAnderson[?] Keith Esqr. the Reverend James Whitten Peter Edwards & Majr. Wm. P. Reed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of September 1833

William hisXmark Wilmoth