

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Miller S33103

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[Illinois, Monroe County]

On this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September and in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before Theophilus W Smith, Judge of the Circuit Court of Monroe County and State of Illinois, now sitting, Michael Miller a resident of Monroe County and State of Illinois aged seventy-two the 28<sup>th</sup> of February last, 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 the 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated – General Arteman [?]<sup>1</sup>, Major Marawether [possibly Thomas Meriwether], Captain Thomas Neal and Lieutenant Adam Fisher, that he entered the service in or about the first of August in the year 1781 under the above named Officers and continued to serve until about the last of October, That he was in the engagements under General Washington at Yorktown Virginia, on the 17 of October when Cornwallis was taken [sic, October 19, 1781]; That he was born & lived in Hardy County Virginia [now West Virginia] when he entered the service; That he was drafted and served as above stated under the above named Officers; That he marched through the town of Romney the County seat of Hampshire, thence through Winchester the County of Frederick, thence on the most direct road to Fredericksburg and Williamsburg, & thence to Yorktown all in Virginia, at the last he was in the battle which defeated the British under Cornwallis. After the battle at Yorktown he marched back to Winchester Virginia when he was disbanded. That he was marched home about the first of October, and on or about the first of November following, troops having been called upon to protect the frontiers against the Indians he volunteered in the company commanded by George Jackson Captain and William White Lieutenant of Hardy County Virginia and that he continued in service against the Indians for six months in the State of Virginia – that on the head waters of Monongahela whilst on the pursuit of the Indians, the part of the company to which he was attached, whilst out on a scouting party were fired upon, and the fight continued for a short time, when the Indians were defeated – That he removed from Virginia to Illinois where he has been since. He further states that he has no record of his age, that he received his discharge in both cases but has since lost them, and that he has no documentary evidence and knows of no other person than his brother William Miller who can testify to his service – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

S/ Michael Miller, X his mark

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<sup>1</sup> Arteman

State of Illinois County of St. Clair: Sct.

This day personally appeared in open Court, the Circuit Judicially sitting, William Miller of the County of St. Clair and State of Illinois, and formerly of the County of Hardy and State of Virginia who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that sometime previously to the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at York in Virginia, that Michael Miller brother of the said William entered the service of the United States as a soldier in the Virginia line, and that shortly after the surrender of said Cornwallis, he returned to his residence, having been as he believes at the siege of York, and as he also believes was afterwards regularly discharged – And this deponent further says that a short time after the said Michael Miller returned from York he then went out against the Indians, and recollects that he was in a considerable time but is now unable to say how long.

S/ William Miller, X his mark

[Enoch Moore and James McRoberts gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]