

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cornelius Tinsley S3361

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State of Tennessee Sumner County SS

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the Term of August in the year of our Lord 1832  
On this 15th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court now sitting in and for the County of Sumner aforesaid Cornelius Tinsley a resident of said County aged 83 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 seventh 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He was called into service under Captain Dabney at Hanover Virginia and marched from thence to Williamsburg where he was stationed, he was in service three terms of two months each, six months in all under Captain Dabney two months he was stationed at Gloucester being the third term and was discharged at that Point by Captain Dabney a few days previous to the surrender of Cornwallis and that he left his discharge in Virginia.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Sworn to in open Court August 15th 1832

S/ A. H. Douglass, Clerk

S/ Cornelius Tinsley, X his mark

[Stephen Stone gave a standard supporting affidavit. Alexander Roscoe, a clergyman, also gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

The State of Tennessee Sumner County: SS: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the Term of November 1832. On this 13th day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared the above named Cornelius Tinsley who being duly sworn deposes and saith that the year in which he entered the service of the United States mentioned in the foregoing declaration was as near as he can recollect and 1779, 1780 or 1781 he does not recollect exactly how long it was from the time he first entered service until he was discharged – As well as he can recollect during the second term of two months service as a Colonel Goodall commanded he thinks in the neighborhood of Williamsburg Virginia. Applicant was born in Hanover County Virginia and upon looking over the foregoing declaration he is inclined to think he made a mistake in stating "he left his discharge in Virginia" he thinks none received a written discharge. When they were discharged [ink blot obscures the text] Gloucester he thinks upon reflection, that Captain [text obscured] ordered the company to stacked their arms & go home as their times were out. Applicant further states that during the two first terms of service he acted as a corporal & part of the third term he served as a Sergeant and succeeded Sergeant William Hooper and the whole time he was either a corporal or a Sergeant. Applicant further states that Stephen Stone who has certified to the

original declaration is very old & cannot be brought to court without being hauled [?] and that he has not seen also Roscoe today and that he does not know whether the war Department requires new certificates to amended declarations.

Sworn to in open Court November 13th 1832

S/A H Douglass, Clerk

S/ Cornelius Tinsley, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$22 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a corporal for six months in the Virginia militia.]