

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Timothy Gauney S3383

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State of Tennessee, Fentress County

On this the 13th day of November 1833 personally appeared before me Joseph French one of the acting Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Fentress aforesaid Timothy Gauney a resident citizen of the County of Fentress in the said State of Tennessee who was born in Wilkeshire [sic, Wiltshire] in England in the year 1742; agreeable to the Calculation of said applicant as kept from the account of his parents he is ninety-one years old, he having no record of his age, and after being duly sworn for that purpose on his oath states in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832 he entered the service of the United States in Burke County North Carolina in the early part of the Revolutionary War he thinks, in 1776, sometime in the spring, the precise time not Remembered, he volunteered, under Captain White [Reuben White] and Colonel McDowell [Charles McDowell] to serve as long as they wanted him he served about six months Tour, had no discharge and some of the men then quit serving he continued on in succession for six months as volunteer under his said Captain. During which time he first went to Salisbury and joined Rutherford's [Griffith Rutherford's] Army thence to Cross Creek, thence to Davidson's fort, staid there a while, was at Cathey's fort and marched various points and Directions up and Down the Catawba River, being often absent from the Main Army was discharged verbally at the Valley Towns, some time in the spring not certain what Time but he thinks for the latter part, and in the year 1777, having continued in the service continuously from the first commencement having served six months more he again Volunteered in Captain William Mury [sic, William Murry] to serve three months he entered the service in the spring season the precise time not Remembered and went on to Charleston and Moncks Corner in the spring of the Surrender of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fall to the British on May 12, 1780] was there verbally discharged having served, three months, was a little while transferred to and served under Captain Beavers he Rather thinks he was a Continental Captain, he cannot now Recollect the Give the names of all his officers, he served at least one year and three months as a private soldier as he has stated that he knows of no certain person by whom he can prove his service and has no Documentary proof he lived some years in Pendleton [District, South] Carolina immediately after the war he lived there many years he knows not how long, thence to with [sic, Wythe?] County Virginia stayed there five years thence to Overton County Tennessee where he now lives, which is now Fentress County stricken off from Overton where he has lived 26 years he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and Declares his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State, and that there is no clergyman any place in his neighborhood.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Joseph French, JP

S/ Timothy Gauney, X his mark

[Jesse Yourk and Samuel Lance gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

“I heard Timothy Gauney said [sic] in my presence he was engaged at the battle of Cowpens as a soldier in the service of the enemy.” [undated, unsigned note in the file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year and 3 months in the North Carolina militia.]