

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Webb S3486
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Declaration in order to entitle the applicant to a pension under the act of 1832
State of Tennessee Henry County: September 1832

On this 5th day of September 1832 personally appeared John Webb -- aged about eighty years -- a citizen of said County -- in open court -- before the worshipful County Court now sitting the same being a court of record -- who being first duly sworn according to law -- doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to entitle to a pension under the said act of Congress. That he entered the service of the United States -- at Rockingham court house -- in the County of Richmond and State of North Carolina -- about the commencement of the revolutionary war -- the precise year not recollected -- as a drafted -- man a term of four months - - in Captain Hays Company -- That at the expiration of said tour -- he again entered the services in the said County of Richmond and served five months as a draftsman in Captain William Wall's company -- and General Rutherford's Brigade -- that during said service he was principally engaged in scouting parties against the Tories -- that he was not in any battle except one with the Tories -- at Betty's Bridge¹ on drowning Creek in North Carolina. That General Rutherford gave him a discharge at the expiration of his five months tour -- served principally upon the Savanna River [sic, Savannah River] -- which discharge is lost or mislaid so that he cannot find it. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State then Union --

Sworn to in open court September 7th 1832

Test: S/ B. C. Brown, Clerk

S/ John Webb, X his mark

[John Gibbs gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Samuel Hawkins, a clergyman, J.D. Looney, & William Gibbs gave testimony as to the character of the veteran and his reputation in the community as a revolutionary soldier.]

Date of Tennessee Henry County

Personally [came] John Webb before me Washington J. Dewitt an acting Justice of said County -- who being duly sworn deposeth & saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent

¹ This is most likely a reference to the action fought on August 4, 1781 between Whig forces commanded by Colonel Thomas Wade and Tories commanded by Colonels McNeil & Ray. The location is normally referred to as Beatti's Bridge. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/beattisbr.htm>

loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise period of his entering or leaving the service of the United States, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and served during each of said Tours as a private and for such service I claim a pension. He further states that Samuel Hawkins whose signature will be joined to a certificate with the endorse papers signed M. G. is a preacher of the gospel and is a person alluded to in the certificate of the court -- He states that he knows of no person by whom he can identify his services nor has he any documentary testimony by which he can prove the same.

Sworn & subscribed to before me this 9th of May 1833

S/ W. J. Dewitt, JP

S/ John Webb, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 9 months service in the North Carolina militia.]