

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel McConnell S34984

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State of Maryland Cecil County To Wit.

Samuel McConnell, a Citizen of the United States of America, and at this time [Apr 1819] residing in Cecil County in the State of Maryland, Doth depose declare and say, That he enlisted in April 1778 in Captain Henry Dobson's Company of Infantry, attached to the Sixth Regiment of the Maryland line, commanded by Colonel [Otho Holland] Williams, that he continued in the said Company and Regiment until the three years having expired it being the Term for which he enlisted, he was discharged whilst the Siege of Ninety Six in South Carolina was carrying on [22 May - 19 Jun 1781], by the American Army under the Command of Gen'l [Nathanael] Greene, and which said Discharge this Deponent hath long since lost or mislaid, and that this Deponent by reason of his indigent circumstances, and extreme poverty, needs the Assistance of his Country for Support, possessing no property of any kind whatever.

State of Maryland Cecil County Sc.

Be it Remembered that on this Sixteenth day of September Eighteen hundred and eighteen Before the undersigned Judges of the Second Judicial district of the State of Maryland, personally appeared Nicholas Millburne [sic: Nicholas Milburn, pension application S35003] a Citizen of the United States, and a resident of Cecil County, and being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangels of Almighty God did depose, That he is well acquainted with Samuel McConnell a Citizen of the United States and a Resident of Cecil County and an Applicant for a Pension; That he has known the said Samuel McConnell since the year 1776. That the said Samuel McConnell enlisted in the year 1778 in Captain Henry Dobsons Company of Infantry belonging to the Sixth Maryland Regiment commanded by Col. Williams, and in which said Company the Deponent was a Private Soldier. That the said Samuel McConnell enlisted for the Term of three years which he served out faithfully and honourably. That the said Samuel McConnells term of Service expired whilst the Siege of Ninety Six in South Carolina was carrying on by the United States Army under Gen. Greene, and of which said army the said Company commanded by Capt. Henry Dobson formed a part. And that this Deponent knows that the said Samuel McConnell received a discharge at that time from his commanding officer, which this Deponent has been informed and verily believes that the said Sam'l. McConnell has lost. And this Deponent further deposes that the said Samuel McConnell is in very poor and indigent Circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support.

Maryland Cecil County SS

On this 12th day of September 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of Record proceeding according to the course of common Law with unlimited Jurisdiction in point of amount for the said County Samuel McConnell aged Sixty Seven years, resident in the aforesaid County and State, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath declare as follows, That he enlisted for the term of three years or during the War in the State of Maryland as a private in the company commanded by Capt'n. Henry Dobson in Colonel Williams's Regiment in the line of the Continetal establishment, that he continued to serve in the said corps untill June in the year 1782 [sic] when he was discharged from said service in the State of South Carolina That he was in the Battles of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], Staten Island [21 Aug 1777], Cambden [either Battle of Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780 or Battle of Hobkirk Hill on 25 Apr 1781], Guilford Courthouse [15 Mar 1781] and others, that at the April Court 1818 [sic] he made Oath to a declaration to the foregoing effect and obtained a pension thereupon which is numbered 12.060.

I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 and that I

have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled “an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed the 18th Day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person for me, any properties or securities contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule annexed and by me Subscribed.

Schedule of the property of Samuel McConnell

1 Small pig.	1 Grid Iron
2 Old chests	1 Shovel & Tongs
1 Table	2 Iron pots
3 old Barrels	1 Tea kettle
3 old chairs	1 Spinning wheel
	1 Pail[?] — \$10.–

That he has no debts owing to him except Six months of his pension due the 4th of this month amounting to forty eight Dollars; that he owes to different persons about twenty dollars; that he is a Blacksmith by Trade but entirely a Cripple and helpless with a wife aged about Seventy Six years but no other family –
Sam^l. McConnell