

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew McCausland S38199

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District of Columbia Sct.

On this 15 day of July 1819 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the circuit court of the United States for the said district, personally appeared Andrew McCausland, aged 62 years, resident in the State of Georgia, but now in Washington in said district, who by me being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made the late 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;" That he the said Andrew McCausland was appointed a Lieutenant of infantry on the 14th day of September 1777 in the company commanded by Captain Robert Semple [Robert Sample of the Pennsylvania line?] of the 6th Virginia Regiment, Virginia line, on Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Regiment until the end of the revolutionary war, when the Army was disbanded at Morris Town [Morristown], State of New Jersey, having served of [sic] continued & uninterrupted service upwards of four years & six months; that he was in the battles of Trenton [December 26, 1776], German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Stony Point [July 16, 1779], Camden,¹ Brandywine [September 11, 1777] (having received a wound in each of the battles of German Town, Brandywine and Camden) and in several skirmishes – that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, having lost his commission.

Sworn to, and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid.

I Buckner Thruston Judge &c as aforesaid, do certify, that it appears to my satisfaction, that the said Andrew McCausland did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me to the Secretary of the Department of War, pursuant to the directions of the aforesaid act of Congress. I also certify that it appears satisfactorily to me, that the said Andrew McCausland is in reduced circumstances.

Given under my hand this 15th day of July 1819

S/ B. Thruston

[p 6: A note reads: "This Pensioner resides in Savannah, Georgia"]

¹ It is not clear from the limited facts as stated by the veteran and from the limited number of officers to whom he refers, whether he is referring to the first battle of Camden [August 15-16, 1780, also known as Gates Defeat] or to the second battle of Camden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781].

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District of Virginia SS

on this 9th day of August 1820, personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the County of Henrico late Lieutenant Andrew McCausland aged 65 years, a resident in the County of Henrico in said district, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: in the 10th Pennsylvania Regiment in Captain Robert Samples Company on the Continental line in the Revolutionary war and the date of his original declaration was dated the 15th day of July 1819 and that his pension Certificate is numbered ___ a piece of Paper being Pasted over the Number it could not be ascertained and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed and that he has no real personal estate and that his occupation has been a Soldier that his ability is insufficient to perform that duty and that he has no family and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support

S/ Andrew McCausland

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew McCausland". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing July 15th, 1819 for service as a Lieutenant for 6 years in the Virginia Continental line.]