

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Poore (Poor) S39024

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Georgia Putnam County }

Personally came before me Thomas Poore and being sworn saith that he never received any bounty for his services in the State of North Carolina as a Continental soldier which was to be in Land, and that he never received, traded or disposed of said claim and that it is yet due him, and that he has never received any certificate for the same and that he had a legal discharge, but that it is lost or mislaid so that he cannot find it.

Sworn to before me this 27th day of November 1818

S/ Thos. Poore



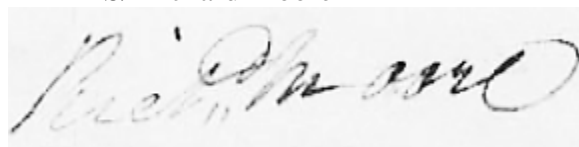
S/ Thos. Edmondson, JP

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Georgia Putnam County: I Richard Moore do solemnly swear that I saw Thomas Poor enlist in the regular service of the United States during the last revolution in the State of North Carolina I then acted as assistant contractor under Colonel Thomas Hart, and assisted in filling up Captain Henry Dixon's company of Continental Troops of which the said Thomas Poor was one I believe in the year 1775.

Sworn to before me this 27th of November 1818

S/ Richard Moore



S/ Thos. Edmondson, JP

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District of West Tennessee

Thomas Poore a citizen of Hickman County in the State of Tennessee & District aforesaid came before me and made Oath, that he was a soldier in the Continental line, to wit in the North Carolina line during the revolutionary war, that he enlisted under the command of Captain Henry

Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon] in the year 1775 in the first North Carolina Regiment commanded alternately by Colonel James Moore, Colonel Francis Nash and Colonel Thomas Clark, that he was in battle of Fort Johnston, and in the siege of Sullivan's Island [June 28, 1776], in the battle & siege of Charlestown. That he served as a Continental soldier three years and six months. That he is in his sixty ninth year and very infirm, that he is a very poor man and so reduced in circumstances, that he stands much in need of aid from his government, that he has lost his discharge.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 2nd day of July's 1819
S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ Thos. Poore

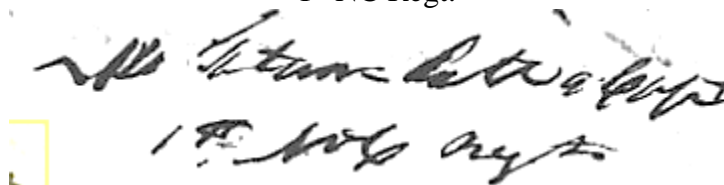


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Major Howel Tatom¹ a citizen of the Town of Nashville came before and made Oath that he was an officer in the revolutionary War in the same Regiment named in the foregoing affidavit and part of the time in Captain Dixon's company as a Lieutenant, that he remembers a soldier of the name of Thomas Poore and believes this man to be the same man, and from a conversation with him is well convinced that he was in the different battles named by him, and was taken prisoner at the fall of Charlestown in the year 1780.

Sworn to & subscribed before me
S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ H. Tatum, Battⁿ Capt.
1st NC Regt.



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In further support of the enclosed claim of Thomas Poore and in explanation of the remarks made by the Secretary of War on the claim heretofore transmitted to the War office, I caused Major Howel Tatum again to come before me, who being duly sworn and re-examined deposeseth and saith, That the applicant enlisted in September 1775 for 6 months afterwards for one year, and again for 3 years & was taken prisoner at the fall of Charles Town in the year 1780.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 11th day of October 1819
S/ John McNairy, District Judge

S/ H. Tatum—Capt.
& etc. of 6th No. Carolina Regt.

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State of Tennessee Hickman County October Term 1820 of the Court of Pleas and Quarter

¹ [Howell Tatum R2027](#)

Sessions

Be it remembered that Thomas Poor filed the following Schedule an affidavit (to wit) District of West Tennessee on the 17th day of October 1820 Personally appeared in open Court being the Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions for the County of Hickman and a Court of record by Act of Assembly of the State of Tennessee Thomas Poor aged seventy years resident in Hickman County in said District who first being duly sworn according to law doth declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows, That he the said Thomas Poor entered the service and '75 or '76 in the State of North Carolina in the Company of Captain Hall Dickson [sic, Henry Dixon] in the Regiment Commanded by Colonel Frank Nash [Francis Nash] in the North Carolina Continental line. His original declaration bears date in July 1819 or thereabouts and he has heretofore received his pension and the number of his Certificates as it appears from the book Marked 15636, and that he was in the following battles, Sullivan's Island Fort [June 28, 1776] where he received a severe wound, on Moore's Creek [February 27, 1776] , in the Siege of Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] where he was taken prisoner and afterwards exchanged for in Virginia, he was discharged in Virginia from the service in the year '81 or '82 by the British when he was exchanged as aforesaid, and afterwards joined the Militia. He the said Thomas Poor further states that he is not only an old man, but very infirm and cannot support himself by his labor, says he has a wife 74 years old and very infirm and he has no children that live with him, says he lives on Swan River in a small cabin on vacant land, he is by Occupation a farmer but is not able to pursue it.

Sworn to and declared in open Court on the 17th day of October 1820.

S/ Thos Poor

And agreeable to an act of Congress passed on the 1st of May 1820 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

One Negro woman 21 years old	\$300
Two ditto boys one 6 & another 2 years old	300
one horse	35
Eleven Shoats	<u>6</u>
	\$641 ²

S/ Thos Poor

[The above is certified by the clerk of court as a true copy of documents in his files.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 2nd, 1819, for service as a private for 3 years in the North Carolina Continental line.]

² The amount of the veteran's property exceeded the amount allowed to qualify as 'indigent' under the statue. The veteran's pension benefit would have been suspended following filing of this schedule.