

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Waddell S39114

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District of South Carolina

I James Waddell, do hereby swear, that during the American Revolutionary War, I belonged to the first Continental Regiment of South Carolina, commanded by Colonel Charles Cotesworth Pinckney; that I served therein as a Sergeant from about the 1st May 1782, to 1st July 1783 or the close of the war. That I fought under General Greene's command, at the battle of the Eutaws [sic, Eutaw Springs] in the State of South Carolina under Captain Felix Warley, then of the said 1st Regiment to which I so belonged --, at the end of said War, I received my honorable discharge, but lost it: which prevents me from producing it, to be affixed hereto. I further swear, that I received no pension at present, or ever have done, from the United States of America. And that from my reduced Circumstances, I need the assistance of my Country for support. And, that it is not in my power to produce papers in support of my claim, for the reason aforesaid; except those which are hereunto annexed.

Charleston South Carolina

S/ James Waddell, X his mark

March 16th, 1820

Sworn to before me & signed by his Mark, in my presence

S/ John Traylor,

Dist. Judge So. Carolina

District of South Carolina: In the District Court

On the 26th day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of Record for the said District, James Waddell aged 59 years resident in Charleston District 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 first Continental Regiment of South Carolina, commanded by Colonel Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, as a Sergeant from about the 1st May 1782 to 1st July 1783 or the close of the war. That he fought under General Greene's command at the Battle of the Eutaws [sic, Eutaw Springs] in the State of South Carolina under Captain Felix Warley, then of the said Regiment. He further swears that he has received no pension from the United States -- never having applied for one except to the present [indecipherable word] --

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 to wit some times five or ten dollars which Lodge No. 31 ancient Masons in Charleston sometimes give me in charitable donations -- that I have no occupation or ability at present to pursue any -- that I have a wife and 3 small children, my wife is named Louisa, my oldest child is named Jane, and next Sarah and the third William -- that oldest of them is only seven years old and they are incapable of contributing in any manner to their or my support -- and further that I have no other means of support whatever.

S/ James Waddell, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on the 26th day of July in open Court aforesaid before me --
S/ John Drayton, District Judge South Carolina

Charleston 6th of March 1820

This is to certify that James Waddell was a Sergeant in the first Continental Regiment of South Carolina during the Revolutionary War, & particularly with the Detachment on the recruiting service on the Congaree under the Act of the Legislature of this State who convened & sat at Jacksonburgh [sic] & that he continued with the said Regiment & acted therein to the end of the War, & was esteemed an active & useful Soldier.

S/ James Kennedy

Lt. Paymaster

in the late 1st Cont'l Regt.

So. Carolina

NB: the above named James Waddell served from first May 1782 to first July 1783-- to which period he received my Certificate of pay due him.

S/ James Kennedy

[reverse]

I hereby certify that James Kennedy, whose certificate is on the other side of this paper, was during the revolutionary War a Lieutenant for some time Paymaster of the first Continental Regiment of South Carolina and that due faith should be given to his certificate as such.

S/ Thomas Pinckney

late Major of the 1st Cont'l Regt. So. Carolina

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 16, 1824 his service in the revolutionary war as a Sergeant in the South Carolina line.]