

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John McQuinn S40141

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Fourteenth District of Pennsylvania Ss

In the Court of Common pleas Fayette County

On this fifth day of March 1820 personally appear'd in open Court it being a Court of Record for the said County John McQuinn aged Eighty one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and the first May 1820, that he the said John McQuinn enlisted at first for the term of Eighteen Months at the Commencement of the war under Captain Marshall. Afterwards enlisted under the same captain and remained in the Army during the War. He enlisted in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Marshall in the Regiment commanded by Col. Bluford [sic: Abraham Buford] in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the conclusion of the war when he was discharged from the said service near Salisbury in the State of South Carolina [sic: North Carolina]. That he was in the Battles of Long Island [27 Aug 1776] and Staten Island [21 Aug 1777] and also in a battle in which Col. Bluford was defeated in South Carolina [Battle of Waxhaws, 29 May 1780]. That he has now no evidence in his power of his said services in consequence of his being ignorant of the residence of the survivors if any there be of the Officers under whom he served and also the men with whom he served. And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st 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 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 person 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.

No property of any description

He has no fixed place of residence but goes about at different places in the County for the purpose of chopping wood &c. On account of his advanced age he is unable to do much of any thing. He has the following children viz't

William aged about thirty three

Timothy aged about twenty five

Polly aged about twenty three

All extremely poor and not able to render me any assistance