Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Mooney S41885 Transcribed by Will Graves

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North Carolina -

On this 4th day of November A.D. 1818 before me Thomas Ruffin Judge of the Superior Courts of Law & Courts of Equity in the said State, personally appeared William Mooney aged about Sixty years & resident of Rockingham County in said State, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, on his Oath made the following Declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States during the Revolutionary War" – That he enlisted as a private Soldier, in Guilford County in North Carolina in April 1781 in the Company commanded by Captain Tilman Dixon [Tilghman Dixon] in the__ Regiment or Battalion of the North Carolina line on the Continental establishment under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Dixon & Major Thomas Donoho. He doth not recollect the number or other denomination of said Regiment, so as to declare it of his own knowledge but refers to the certificate of the said Major Donoho therefore: – That in or about 3 months after his said enlistment, he was appointed, for his good conduct & regular demeanor, a Sergeant in said Company – in which Capacity he continued to serve in said Corps in the Service of the United States until his Regiment was discharged; which was at Charlotte in North Carolina at the end of the War was in the latter part of the year 1782 by the said Colonel Dixon making the period of service upon and of fourteen months – which discharge have been lost or mislaid by time & accident. He further saith that he is in reduced circumstances & needs the assistance of his Country for Support; and that he was in the Battle of Eutaw-Springs [Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781].

Declared, Sworn to before me Judge as aforesaid at Rockingham County the 4th day of November 1818

S/ Thomas Ruffin

S/ William Mooney, X his mark

North Carolina

On the day & year first above mentioned before me Judge as aforesaid Samuel Hill¹ being duly sworn by me made oath that he was a private Soldier in the Same Company & Regiment mentioned in the day& year foregoing declaration of the above mentioned William Mooney & that the facts stated in the said declaration relating to the service of the said William

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¹ Samuel Hill S9577

are true, as this deponent well knows. He further saith that he & the said William have resided near to each other ever since the War & that he is well acquainted with his circumstances & that the said Mooney is not worth any worldly substance one hundred dollars & that he has a large & helpless family; & that said William is a credible person on his Oath; & that this deponent is not an applicant for any pension himself, being now in independent circumstances.

Described & sworn to before me Judge aforesaid at Rockingham County 4 November 1818

S/ Thos. Ruffin

S/ Saml. Hill

Amh. Hill

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I Thomas Donoho² formerly a Major in the North Carolina Line on the Continental Establishment during the Revolutionary War do certify upon my honor that I well knew William Mooney, now of Rockingham County, as a private in that Line & as a Sergeant also during the year 1781 & 1782 for about fourteen months. I do not recollect the precise Regiment to which he belonged during all that period as the Regiments were often reduced & altered – but to some one or more of them, he was attached for upwards of a year & was an approved Soldier and as such was Discharged at the end of the War.

November 3, 1818 Caswell County S/ Thos. Donoho

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Schedule

District of North Carolina, to wit -

On this first day of September 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for the said district, William Mooney – aged 62 years, resident in Rockingham County 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, to wit – He enlisted in Guilford County & State of North Carolina in the Company Commanded by Captain Tilman Dixon of the Continental Corps; discharged in the County of Charlotte [sic, Mecklenburg County] in said State – was discharged on the __ day of June __ after having faithfully served for three years and having fought at the battle of the Eutaw Springs, John's Island, & Whitesell's Mills [March 6, 1781] – Colonel Hal Dixon & Major Thomas Donoho commanded the Regiment – the number of his pension Certificate is

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

² Thomas Donoho W9838

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 which follows & by me subscribed

One mare worth	\$25
Three small hogs	<u>\$ 3</u>
	\$28

my occupation that of a farmer – age 62 years – Seven in family my Wife week & subject to fits – Six children oldest girl sixteen, the others under that age.

S/ William Mooney, X his mark

[p 11: A letter dated April 14, 1836 contains the following information: Charles R Mooney the son of William Mooney has a family record of his father's & mother's death in an old family Bible; that William Mooney the pensioner died in July 1837 and his widow in 1844; they were married in 1792.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing November 4, 1819, for service as a Sergeant for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]