

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Mark Phillips S41955

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State of North Carolina Moore County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions May Term 1819

Personally appeared in Open Court Mark Phillips who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that sometime in or about the year 1780 he enlisted & entered into the Service of the United States as a private Soldier for the term of twelve months under Captain Christmas [Nathanael Christmas] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Maben [sic, Robert Mebane, a Continental officer] in the revolutionary War with Great Britain, that he served the full term aforesaid and obtained a legal discharge which he kept until about the year 1800 when he had the misfortune to have his house consumed by fire, at which time his said discharge was also consumed. That he is now about the age of 65 years and that by age, infirmity and other misfortunes his Circumstances is so reduced that he stands in need of the assistance of his Country, that he now resides in the State and County aforesaid near Carthage (Moore Court House) --

Sworn to and Subscribed in Open Court this 17th day of May 1819

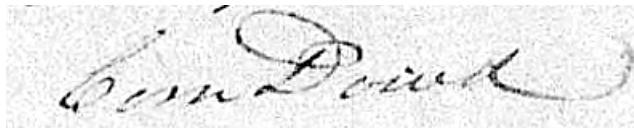
S/ Mark Phillips, M his mark

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Personally appeared in Open Court Cornelius Dowd who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was acquainted with Mark Phillips who sworn to and subscribed the above deposition before he entered into the Service of his Country as a private soldier in the Revolutionary War with Great Britain that he knows he did enter into the Army as a private soldier, that he frequently saw him while in the Army performing the duties of a Soldier, and that he has understood and does believe the said Phillips faithfully served the term of 12 months the time for which he Entered the Service and was Honorably discharged -- that at the time the said Phillipse House was consumed by fire he was and still is a near neighbor to him, that he knows that to be a fact, that he also knows his Circumstance to be such that he needs the assistance of his Country -- sworn to and subscribed in Open Court this 17th May 1819

S/ Corn Dowd

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Corn Dowd', written in dark ink on a light-colored, textured paper background.

[Cornelius Dowd was the clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Moore County at the time he gave the above certification.]

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State of North Carolina Moore County}

On the 21st day of August 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record expressly made a Court of Record by the laws of the State aforesaid which created it for the County of Moore Mark Phillips aged 68 years (or thereabouts) a resident of the State and County aforesaid, Who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as a private soldier twelve months at one time under Captain Samuel Jones in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Maben in the years 1778 or 1779 to the best of his in the North Carolina line in Continental establishment, that he has been placed on the pension list of the United States and has received pay from the 17th day of May 1819 up to the 4th day of March 1820 and that his pension Certificate bears date the 15th of July 1819 -- 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

to wit Twelve Head of Sheep

Twenty Six Head of Hogs

Three plows

Four Hoes

Two Axes

That my Occupation is farming: that I am as hearty as is common for persons of my age and can do some easy labor. That I have three in family besides myself, to wit, Rany Phillips my wife aged about 67 years quite infirm, Polly Phillips aged 21 years, Rany Phillips, Junr., aged 17 years, both my daughters and able to transact the Ordinary business of their sex.

S/ Mark Phillips, M his mark

[Facts in file: Veteran died August 5, 1839; an anonymous letter was sent to the department in 1837 accusing the veteran of being a Tory during the revolution, there is an adamant affidavit dated December 9, 1837 from Cornelius Dowd stating that he knew the veteran during the revolutionary war and saw him twice in the service of the American Army and that the accusation that he was a Tory is not true.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 17, 1819 for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]