

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Churchwell Jackson S4432  
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State of Tennessee, Marion County

On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court, before the Honorable Nathaniel W. Williams, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of law and Equity in and for said State now sitting for said County, at the Courthouse in Jasper, Churchwell Jackson, a resident citizen in said County and State, aged seventy-five years, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of last February: who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated: first, that he volunteered as a private to perform a five months tour of duty on the \_\_ day of May 1780, under Captain Robert Smith, Lieutenant John Hardin and the Ensign Philip Hogan, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph McDowell and Major Joseph White. That he served under said officers until the \_\_ day of October 1780 when he was discharged from the service having served five months, the term for which he volunteered. That when he entered the service he lived in Burke County in the State of North Carolina. This applicant states that the Regiment to which he belonged served mostly as a guard to the frontiers, until early in the month of September 1780, at which time they were marched to King's Mountain in the State of South Carolina, with a view to assist in dislodging the enemy there stationed under the Command of Colonel Ferguson [sic, Major Patrick Ferguson], but, who did not arrive there until the day after the Battle had been fought. That they then joined the American Army commanded by Colonels Campbell [William Campbell], Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland], Shelby [Isaac Shelby], Sevier [John Sevier], Clark [sic, Elijah Clarke] and Williams [James Williams], the only officers except those of his own Regiment that this applicant has any recollection of. That this applicant, with a part of Colonel McDowell's Regiment was then detached to guard the captured enemy, whom they guarded to the Moravian Town in the State of North Carolina and from there this applicant returned home to Burke County N. C. where he was discharged – that he was not in any Battle during said service.

This applicant states that in the month of July 1781, in Burke County in the State of North Carolina, he again volunteered as a private to serve a tour of four months under the same officers, to wit, Captain Robert Smith, Lieutenant John Hardin and Ensign Philip Hogan in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph McDowell and Major Joseph White, that he continued in the service under said officers until sometime in the month of November 1781, when he was discharged, that he was not in any Battle during this term of service. That from Burke County N. C. this applicant was marched under said officers to the Head of Catawba River, where the Regiment was stationed about three months at Davidson's Fort to guard the frontiers and from there they were marched to Gilbert Town in the State of North Carolina, where they captured a few Tories, but had no general engagement, that they remained stationed at Gilbert Town about three weeks and returned home to Burke County N. C. when this applicant was discharged.

This applicant states that in the month of December 1781, in Burke County N. C. he again volunteered as a private in a Company commanded by Captain William Sumpter, Lieutenant John Sumpter (the Ensign's name he has forgotten) to suppress the Tories in the country where he lived; that

there was no term of service specified when he volunteered, that he served said officers about one month, and was in several skirmishing expeditions after the Tories, but was in no engagement, nor was he with or under any other than his Company officers, nor did he ever receive a discharge from said service. This applicant states that he was not with any regular troops, nor was he with any officers only those of his own Regiment except those at King's Mountain already named. This applicant states that he has no documentary evidence of his services, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his services. --That he was born in Orange County in the State of Virginia, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February 1758. -- That he has no Record of his age at this time, that his Bible which contained it, was, some years ago, Burnt with his house, but he still retains recollection of his age. -- That he was living in Burke County in the State of North Carolina when he was called into service each time. That from Burke County N. C. (where he lived during the War) he removed to Jefferson County, Tennessee, where he lived two years, from thence he removed to Anderson County, Tennessee where he lived about 30 years, and from there he removed to Marion County Tennessee where he now lives. -- That he volunteered to serve each Tour of duty and was never a substitute. -- That he cannot recite the names of any Regular officers, having never served with such troops, nor was he with any Militia troops only those of his own Regiment except those at King's Mountain – that he has already given the names of such of the officers as he can recollect, who commanded there. -- That he was regularly discharged from the first two tours of duty by Colonel Joseph McDowell, and that his discharges were burned with his house.

This applicant states that he is acquainted with and refers to the following gentleman of his neighborhood, to wit, General William Stone, Richard W. Stone, Rev'd Isaac Easterly, William Marcum, Ephraim Thurman, John Burnett, Esq., Samuel H. Gott Esq. and Isaac Hicks, Esq. some of whom can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. -- He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Churchill Jackson, X his mark

S/ Wm Standefer, Clerk

[Isaac Easterly, a clergyman, and William Marcum gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months service in the North Carolina militia.]