

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Wyatt Ballard S44327

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State of Tennessee, Knox County

Be it remembered that on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 1819 before me one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts of the State of Tennessee being Courts of record personally appeared Wyatt Ballard aged fifty-nine years in February last resident in Knox County Tennessee who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to entitle himself to a Pension under the late act of Congress which provides for revolutionary soldiers To wit that he the said Wyatt Ballard did in the month of February in the year 1781 at the Town of Warrenton in the County of Warren in the State of North Carolina enter into the regular Army of the United States as a regular soldier in the Company of Captain Carter [Benjamin Carter] for the Term of twelve months said company being a company of the Second North Carolina Regiment commanded by Col. Dixon [Henry Dixon, also called Hal Dixon] – But Colonel Dixon being absent the greater part of the year this Deponent enlisted for the Regiment was commanded by Major Armstrong [probably Thomas Armstrong] said Second Regiment was a part of General Sumner's [Jethro Sumner's] Brigade said Brigade being a part of General Greene's [Nathanael Greene's] Command. This affiant further states he faithfully served the United States as a Common Soldier in the Corps before mentioned against the common enemy. The twelve months for which he engaged expired and until the last of April in the year 1782 when he was at Bacon's Bridge in South Carolina discharged by General Greene that his discharge is lost. The said Wyatt Ballard further swears he was at the taking of the following Fort at Wright's Bluff<sup>1</sup> on the Congaree at Thompson's Fort [Fort Thomson] and one at Friday's Ferry<sup>2</sup> and two forts at Augusta<sup>3</sup> and then in the Battle on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September 1781 at Eutaw Springs<sup>4</sup> in which battle he was wounded severely by a musket Ball in the right arm which wound he shows.

The said Wyatt Ballard further states that he is in reduced circumstances and does stand in need of the assistance of his Country for support. That he never has been a Pensioner of any Country for said service and does hereby release to the United States all claim of a Pension except under the provisions of the before [indecipherable word] act which he claims the benefit of. That he has no other evidence that he knows of no of his service in his power.

S/ Wyatt Ballard, X his mark

Sworn to & declared before me the day & date above.

[John Angel gave a supporting affidavit as to the character and reputation of the applicant.]

State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1819

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1 March 1, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/watson.htm>

2 May 1, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/fridaysfy.htm>

3 May 24, 1781

4 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/eutaw.htm>

I William Hill Secretary of the State in & for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears from the muster roll of the Continental line of this State that Wyatt Ballard a private in Captain Carter's company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment was mustered in the year 1781 for 12 months and that his time was out on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 1782. Given under my hand the date above.

S/ Wm Hill

#### Schedule

State of Tennessee, Knox County: July Sessions 1820

On this fourth day of July 1820, personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, (having the power of fine and imprisonment and also having been made a court of record by the laws of said State,) for the said County, Wyatt Ballard aged Sixty years, resident of the County of Knox aforesaid, who being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that he enlisted with Captain Carter of the second North Carolina Regiment of which Colonel Dixon was commander, but the Regiment command was by Major Armstrong whilst he served – That his Original declaration is dated the fifth of March 1819 and his pension Certificate dated the seventh of August 1819 and of No. 13,794--

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or otherwise 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

2 head of cattle	\$13.00
8 head of hogs	8.00
4 chairs	2.00
1 Pot 8plates 1 dish & half a set knives & forks	<u>.25</u>
	\$28.25

Has a wife and one child in family – That himself and wife from age and infirmity are not able to labor for a living – his daughter Susan is about 17 years old and healthy – that he yet owes for 2 head of cattle.

Sworn to in open Court this fourth day of July 1820.

S/ Wyatt Ballard, X his mark

[Facts in file: In 1822, veteran was living in Warren County, Ohio; he died July 17, 1828.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 6, 1819 for service as a private for one-year in the North Carolina Continental line.]