

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Osteen S4637

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State of Alabama Morgan County: SS

On this 28th day of January 1833 personally appeared in open Court before Charles M. Peters Judge of the Orphants [Orphans] Court of Morgan County aforesaid now setting David Osteen a resident of the County of Morgan aforesaid of seventy-two years of age on the 11th day of April next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated (to wit) He entered the services under the following named officers to with, General Ash [sic, John Ashe] and Captain William Dennis and Lieutenant Eli West Ensign Belshaser Fuller and he entered the service early in the fall of the year 78 and his tour was six months he got home the last of April 1779 and he was under another engagement of one month he entered in April 1781 under Eli West as Captain and served one month – he states that he resided in Cartwright County [sic, Carteret County] State of North Carolina when he entered the service in both towers [tours] and that he was drafted the first tower but was a volunteer the second he states that during the first engagement or tower of duty, he joined General Lincoln in South Carolina and marched to Augusta in Georgia and marched from there down the River to briar Creek [sic, Briar Creek] where we had an engagement with the British where the Americans were defeated – they then retreated back into South Carolina – and were discharged in April 1779 as above mentioned. He was discharged from service in Wilmington North Carolina by Major Blount who gave a discharge which he has lost and the second tower of Duty he was in an engagement with the British at Bluford [sic, Beaufort?] and he received no discharge when the British left the place we were dismissed –

He was born in Cartwright [Carteret] County North Carolina in the year 1761.

He has in his possession a record of his age

He was living in Cartwright [Carteret] County North Carolina when he entered the service he moved after he was moved and had a family to the adjoining County Onslon [sic, Onslow?] where he lived 12 years and from there he moved to the State of Tennessee Davidson County and lived there seven or eight years and then moved to Maury [?] County in the same state and from thence to Maine [? no such county] County & State and from thence to Limestone County State of Alabama and from thence to Morgan County Alabama where he now resides and

has resided for nine years past.

He was drafted when he first [indecipherable word, looks like "lealved"] in the service and volunteered the second tower

He states that he does not recollect any Continental officer except General Lincoln. He has in his former part of his declaration stated the General circumstances of his services.

He has stated in his declaration in the first part of the circumstances of his discharge and by him given and the loss of it.

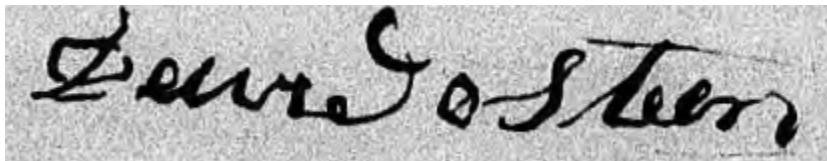
He states that he is known to Cooby Whitney [could be Cooley Whitney] and Samuel Winton and John Maxwell and his neighbor[hood] who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief as of his service as a soldier of the revolution.

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.

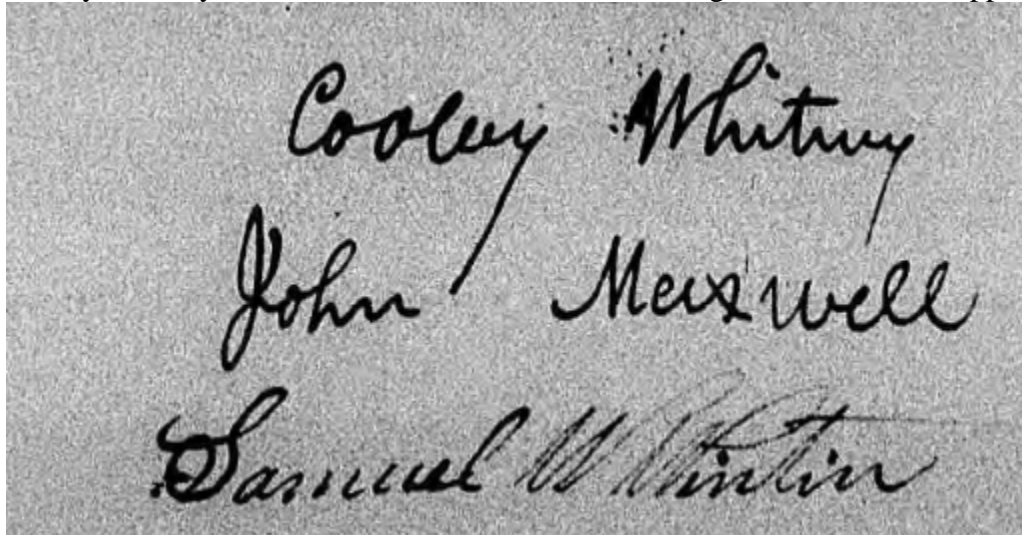
Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ M. M. MacKenzie, Clk

S/ David Osteen

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Osteen".

[Cooby Whitney, Samuel W Winton and John Maxwell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Three handwritten signatures in cursive script, stacked vertically. The top signature reads "Cooley Whitney", the middle one reads "John Maxwell", and the bottom one reads "Samuel Winton".

State of Tennessee Bedford County

On this day the 22nd December 1833 before me the subscriber, an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Daniel Osteen, who on his oath declares that he is the same person, who previously belonged to the company commanded by Captain John Dennis, in the Battalion commanded by Major Blount of the line of the State of Georgia in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of Alabama, from whence he has lately removed: that he now resides in the State of Tennessee in the County of Bedford, where he intends to remain, and wishes his pension to be there payable in future. The reason of his removal is, that he may live with his relations, upon whom he is mainly dependent for his subsistence.

S/ David Osteen, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for seven months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]