

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Allen Sarrett S4661

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State of Tennessee Cocke County: SS: On this 27th day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now sitting Allen Sarrett aged seventy years a resident of the County of Cocke and State of Tennessee, 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 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after stated.

That he was born in the State of North Carolina in the 11th day of December in the year 1763 as appears from Record of which he is now in possession, from whence he was removed by his parents into now Spartanburg district South Carolina where he resided when he was drafted into service under Captain Daniel McClary in the month of May as he believes in the year 1779 being then sixteen years of age and served under said McClary & Colonel Brannon [sic, probably Thomas Brandon] but the Regiment of The militia he does not recollect.

That he marched from Spartanburg towards Ninety Six in said State and was stationed at divers places in order to guard the inhabitants from the ravages of the British & Tories and after having served a tour of three months in this way without coming to any engagement, he was honorably discharged by his Captain at a point on Little River near Ninety Six, but the day and month he cannot recollect. During this campaign he missed [sic, messed] with William Byar, William Richman & others.

Deponent further states that sometime in the month of September in the year 1780 he again entered service as a drafted militia man under Captain Absalom Jinny [?] and Col. Brannon – Adjutant Montgomery – and marched from Spartanburg District where he then resided and crossed Tiger River [Tyger River] at Blackstocks Ford and marched by way of Musgrove Mills on Enoree to Saluda River and stationed near the Island Ford from which place they made various excursions and routed the Tories who were then lying in the woods and after serving three months he was honorably discharged by his Captain and traveled several miles from the encampment to lodge on which night a company of the outliers visited the old encampment and butchered some soldiers who had not yet left the camps. That during this campaign he messed with John Byos & John Sarett.

That after being so discharged he again entered into the service of the United States as a drafted militia man under Captain George Taylor and marched from Spartanburg where he still

resided sometime in March 1781 as near as he can recollect and marched to Ninety Six where he joined General Green's [sic, Nathanael Greene's] Army whilst besieging that place but shortly after their arrival intelligence was received that Lord Rawdon was reinforced from Ireland and was marching to its relief upon which General Green made an attack but was defeated and one hundred and fifty or thereabouts of the Americans were killed. And after marching some distance with Green's Army Captain Taylor turned towards home his time having nearly expired for which he had been called out it being for three months which term deponent states he served and from which he was honorably discharged about the first of June as near as he can recollect.

That afterwards he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer under Captain Elias Langum [?] and marched from Spartanburg District as aforesaid his stated residents without any officer sometime in November 1781 and joined Captain Langum at Salisbury in the State of North Carolina where he was stationed for a term of three months for the purpose of guarding the magazine and was also employed in making cartridges and ball for the use of the United States Army and after serving three months he was honorably discharged sometime in February 1782 by Colonel Lop [sic, Lopp?] Colonel of the militia. During this campaign he messed with John Grice, William Evitt, Lewis Evet & Benjamin Grice citizens of Roan County [sic, Rowan County] North Carolina. Amounting in all to twelve months service.

Declarant states that from each of said terms of service he received a discharge but thinking them of no importance he took no care of them and has lost them long since nor does he know now know of any person living who can testify as to his services whose testimony he can procure. He states that he resided in South Carolina from the conclusion of his services until the year 1818 when he removed to Tennessee where he has ever since resided that he now lives in Cocke County in said State.

He states that Thomas Hill a Minister and Samuel Haskins a citizen are acquainted with him and his present neighborhood and can testify as to his character for veracity.



Sworn to & subscribed in open court the day above.

He states that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State and he hereby relinquishes every claim to any pension except the present and prays that his name may be placed on the pension list.

Sworn to in open court

S/ G. M. Porter, Clerk

S/ Allen Sarrett

[Thomas Hill, a clergyman, and Samuel Haskins gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12 months service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]