

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Mitchell S5768

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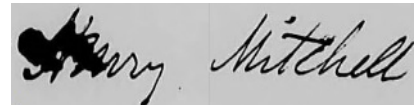
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State of Virginia

Franklin County

On this 7th day of January 1833 personally appeared in Open Court before Moses Greer Jr Henry Carper Josiah W Dickenson & John H Wade Justices of the Court of Franklin County now sitting Henry Mitchell a resident in the County of Franklin and State of Virginia aged about seventy years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in Order to obtain to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 1832

That he entered the Service under the following named Officers and served as herein stated that he was drafted some time in the month of September 1779 as soon as he arrived at the age of sixteen (the precise day not recollected) in the County of Brunswick and put under the Command of Capt James Marshall and marched to Cabbin point [sic: Cabin Point in Surry County] below Petersburg where he joined the Army, he being very young the Field or general Officers he does not recollect where he served Three months and was honourably discharged he again entered the service in the Militia about the first day of April 1780 from the County of Brunswick and was put under the Command of Capt Wilkins and marched to McKies mills and joined a battallion commanded by Maj'r [William] Boyce where we were generally stationed but Frequently sent to Sleepy hole Ferry on Nancymond [sic: Nansemond] River as a guard of the two places where we laid to do duty every knight and at the end of three months was again honourably discharged. He again entered the Service from the same County and put under the Command of Capt James Harison [James Harrison] some time in the month of July 1781 and marched to the point of Fork [near present Columbia VA] where General Stueben [sic: Baron von Steuben] passed with his army We fell in the rear of his army and marched to Charlotte Court House from thence to the Cool Springs below Richmond after serving seven weeks were relieved by a Company of Militia from the said County of Brunswick and he returned home, and about the first of September following he entered the Service as a vollenteer in the Capacity of a Collector of Beef Cattle (and furnished his own horse) under the Command of Commissary Charles Edmunds (as he was then termed) they collected a drove and drove them where they were delivered, he was amediatly employed in collecting an other drove which was delivered about seven miles above York Town on James River for the General Army about the time earl Cornwallis surrendered his army [19 Oct 1781] in which service he was kept seven weeks. In addition to the officers under which he served he knew General [Robert] Lawson Col George Tucker [sic: St. George Tucker] Maj'r Lawson and many others of Inferior rank which was in service at the Point of Fork at the same time he further states that his documentary evidence is either lost or mislaid and can therefore have no reference to it. After the war ended he moved from the County of Brunswick to Mecklenburg County from thence to Franklin County in the year 1797. where he has lived ever since he knows of no person now living by whom he can prove his service having seen none of the persons with whom he served for upwards of Thirty years. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name in not on the pension roll of the agency of any state Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Mitchell". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.