

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Shadrick Alley S6499

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[Capitalization partly corrected.]

State of North Carolina } On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 personally appeared before us A  
Iredell County } Terrence & Wm Knox Two of the Justices of the peace of Iredell County  
No Ca Shadrick Alley a resident of North Carolina in the County of Iredell Aged about 82 years 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 Officers and served as herein stated liveing then a Citizen of the state of  
Virginia and County of Brunswick His first Tower was to Smithfield and Long Bridge [probably Great  
Bridge] for three months in Company Commanded by Captain Vaughn Regt. Commanded by Col. Elliot  
[probably Thomas Elliott]

Second to Norfolk three months with the same officers

third to Cabin point [on James River in Surry County] three months under Captain M. Johnson and thinks  
Col. Macklin the Fourth for six months under Captain Mumford Col. [Thomas Pinketham] Eaton Was at  
the Briar Creek defeat [Briar Creek GA, 3 Mar 1779] the fifth for four months under Captain Whitesides  
of North Carolina to the Cherokee Nation of Indians The sixth for three months under Captain James  
Harrison, Col. Mumford [sic: Robert Munford], Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene] and was at the Battle  
of Guilford in N.C [Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781]

The Seventh for three months to Petersburg Va. under Capt M. Harrison Col. not recolected Eighth for  
three months Captain Hartwell Raines Col. Bonner at the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781]

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  
above  
[signed] Shade Alley

[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of North Carolina } On this 30 day of March 1833 personally appeared before us William  
Iredell County. } Knox & Alexander Torrence Justices of the Peace of said County  
Shadrick Alley a resident of North Carolina in the county of Iredell, aged about Eighty two years, who  
being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to  
obtain, the benifit, of the act of Congress, passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enter'd the service of the united  
States under the following named officers and served as hereinafter stated. being drafted, the several  
tours with the exception of the one to Brier creek, which he served as a substitute for his uncle Miles  
Alley who resided in North Hampton [sic: Northampton] County North Carolina, and but a few miles  
from him, then a citizen of Brunswick County Virginia, and where he had been born & raised His first  
tour was for three months to Smithfield and Long Bridge, his Captain was Vaughn, the regt. commanded  
by Col. Elliott. at Long bridge an attack was made by the British & were repulsed [Battle of Great Bridge  
VA, 9 Dec 1775]. there were no continentals there. this service [several illegible words] 1776 and he thinks  
commenced in May. The second tour was for three months under the same officers. Capt Vaughn & Col.  
Elliott in the fall & winter of the same year 1776: we were marched to Norfolk direct & the day after our  
arrival the town was burnt [1 Jan 1776]. The third a tour of three months to Cabbin Point in the fall of  
1777 under the command of Capt. M. Johnson and thinks Col. Macklin comd'd. the regiment – where  
they lay without any thing material occuring. His Fourth tour for six months was the Briar Creek defeat &  
campaign in the fall & winter of 1778 [sic] under Captain Mumford and Col Eaton when he entered as a  
substitute for his uncle Miles Alley of North Hampton County North Carolina, after the battle returned to

McAlpins [sic: McAlpine] creek in Mecklinburg [sic: Mecklenburg] County No. Ca. where the troops lay for some time, from thence went to Salisbury N.C. where we were discharged. after my return home to Virginia in 1779 I removed my family from thence to Rutherford County North Carolina and in the fall of 1780 was drafted for four months but was discharged at the end of three months. was commanded by Capt. Whitesides of North Carolina. this company was called out for the protection of the frontier against the Cherokee Indians. we were kept generally in motion. His sixth tour was for three months in 1781 under Captain James Harrison, Col. Mumford comanded the regiment during this tour I was at the Battle of Guilford. I knew Genl Green and other continental officers then, but whose names have now escaped my recollection. very shortly after the battle of Guilford I removed back to Brunswick County in State of Virginia and was drafted for three months. went to Petersburg Va. under the command of Capt M. Harrison, Col not recollected, but was discharged at the end of one month. after my return home was again drafted for three months. after my return home was again drafted for three months in Company commanded by Capt Hartwell Raines, regt. comd'd. by Col. Bonner marched directly to York. was there at the surrender of Cornwallis and was discharged at the end of six weeks service after which I returned to my home. afterwards removed again to the state of North Carolina, where I have lived ever since Any discharges I might have rec'd. are lost or mislaid and I think were lost by the upsetting of my waggon in a river in North Carolina when removing the last time to this state. I have no documentary evidence to offer and know of no person whose testimony I can procure, who can testify to my service, except John Turbyfill [pension application S7770] whose deposition is hereunto annex'd, and who was raised in the County of Brunswick & State of Virginia, and who was with me the three first tours, & who now resides near to me in the County of Lincoln No. Ca.

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 & year aforesaid.

Shadrick hisXmark Alley

Where and in what year were you born?

- A. In the State of Virginia in the year one thousand seven Hundred & fifty one  
Have you any record of your age; and if so where is it?
- A. In a church Record near PetersBurg  
Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary war, & where do you now live
- A. I lived in Brunswick County Virginia, there served three tours, the fourth went as substitute for an uncle in No. Ca. I then removed to No. Ca. and served in that state two tours, removed back to Virginia and there served two other tours, and since the revolution about 1785 I again return'd to No Carolina and live in the County of Iredell and have so lived for the last thirty five or forty years.  
How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute & if a substitute for whom?
- A. Drafted except the Brier Creek campaign. I substituted for my uncle Miles Alley of North Hampton County No Carolina  
State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served; such continental & militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service
- A. I knew Genl. Green and General Nash I saw Genl [Benjamin] Lincoln [several illegible words] In a Battle near Brier Creek in the state of Georgia the americans met with a defeat  
Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it given and what has become of it. I think I receivd a discharge of Col. Eaton
- A. I do not distinctly recollect, but think I did, one or more, and if so, they with other valuable papers were lost by the upsetting my waggon in a stream when removing to No. Ca. the last time  
State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood and who can

testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution  
A. Jas McRee Gen'l. Ephm Davidson Wm Falls – Adam Terrence & John Falls