

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Osborn Holly S7021

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State of North Carolina Sampson County: SS

On this the 24th day of April 1845 personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace and Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County Osborn Holly who being first duly sworn according to law – doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

That he the said Osborn Holly is now in his 84th year of age – that he has resided where he now lives for the last sixty years – that in the Revolutionary war he was drafted into Service under Captain Shadrick Stallings [Shadrach Stallings] and mustered into service and into encampment in the County of Duplin whilst the British forces were ranging between Wilmington and Fayetteville and through this intermediate Country ^{that under Captain Stallings he acted as Sergeant in the} company – That he was in no battle but that he served out his time and obtained a discharge therefore, which Certificate of discharge he has now in his possession and offers it in evidence of the truth of this his declaration. The declarant cannot now say distinctly the length of time of said draft under Captain Stallings but thinks it was for three months, although the draft might have been for a longer time, yet he believes he only served out in service the three months as aforesaid – That he either before this service or afterwards – the declarant was called on by the military authority to furnish a twelve months man for every twelve or fifteen men – or otherwise that this class of twelve or fifteen men should stand a draft of one of themselves – that under such orders, laws or rules he did, on two occasions [indecipherable words] rate, the furnishing a man for twelve months twice during the continuation of the war. That after the foregoing service and furnishing – viz. – in the year 1781 he was again drafted into service under the Command of Captain James Butler, and was mustered into encampment and marched into Duplin County to different places and stations until he was honorably discharged, having served out his Tour – a Certificate of such discharge he yet has in his possession – and begs that it may be taken in evidence of the truth of this his declaration. He further declares that he is not on any pension roll – and that he has never made any formal application for a pension – being conscientious and

refusing to swear whilst he had in his possession such proofs of service as ought to be received without his oath or he has thought [indecipherable word]

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written.

S/ Burrell Dawson, JP

S/Osborn Holley, X his mark

December 22 Day 1781
I hereby certify that August
Holley has served three
months for of Duty
and is hereby sworn
given under hand
Capt Stalling

Feb. 26 1782
This may certify that
Osborn Holley has faithfully
served his time of Duty
and is hereby discharged
Given under my hand
James Buller

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]