

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Philip Miller S7230

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State of North Carolina Rowan County} SS

On this tenth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Superior Court of Law for Rowan County now sitting, the same being a court of Record, Phillip Miller, a resident of said County aged seventy-three years who being first duly sworn 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 was born in Rowan County North Carolina and has resided there always. Has a record of his age at home copied from his father's family record which states that he was born in the year 1763.

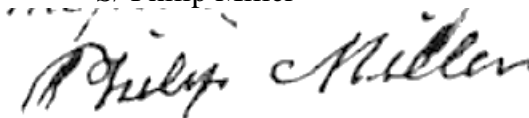
That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer Soldier in Capt. Barrier's [George Henry Barrier's] Company at Fullenwedors House [?]¹ in Rowan County under Col. Francis Locke and General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] and served in what was called the Cherokee expedition² for all about four months sometime a waggoner sometimes a soldier and sometimes a guard and driver of pack horses.

That he was next a volunteer soldier at the same place in Capt. Randlemans [John Randleman's] Company under General Rutherford for three months during which time he marched to South Carolina and was at Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780]³ near Camden and after that served the balance of the three months stationed at the trading Ford on the Yadkin [River] near Salisbury.

He was a volunteer for three months at the same place in the company of Capt. Frederick Criminger [Frederick Grimminger], Major West Harris, Col. Loftin [William Lofton], General Rutherford and marched to Wilmington North Carolina & was dismissed from thence at the end of the war, he acted as Sgt. in the companies to which he belonged during the two last mentioned trips. That he has lost his written discharges.

He hereby are relinquishes all 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, within his knowledge.

S/ Philip Miller



¹ Fullenwedors House

² http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html

³ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_camden.html

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Henry Giles, CSC

We Nathan Morgan⁴ and Martin Hoffner⁵ Residing in Rowan County do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Philip Miller who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration – and we believe him to be 73 years old, that we served with him part of the time, during the revolutionary war that we have full confidence in his integrity and believe that he served as he states.

The image shows two handwritten signatures in cursive ink. The top signature reads "Nathan Morgan" and the bottom signature reads "Martin Hoffner". The signatures are written on a light-colored, slightly textured paper.

The foregoing Declaration and certificates having be [been] returned by the office of the Secretary of War with objections, the Declarant appeared before Casper Holshouser a Justice of Peace for Rowan County April 10th 1833 and made oath in due form of law to the following explanations of the objections stated in the objections.

That the first period of his service in the war of the revolution was as he believes a term of four months in the Cherokee expedition as a private Soldier in the summer of the year 1779 in General Rutherford's Army of Militia and that the Army marched through the mountains in North Carolina.

That the time he was at the battle near Camden in South Carolina was in the summer of the year 1780. That his third term of Militia service was in the year 1781. That no clergyman acquainted with him at the time of making this declaration or at this time lives near him; that he could not nor can he now procure any such to attend the court for the purpose of giving their certificate.

That the two citizens whose affidavit he procured are his neighbors nearly of the same age with himself were with him as soldiers in the Army (a part, though, not all the time he served) & he was advised that their direct testimony was the best he could procure, the applicant by reason of disease is unable to attend Court.

S/ Philip Miller

[Attested by Casper Holshouser, JP]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the North Carolina militia.]

⁴ [Nathan Morgan W18529](#)

⁵ [Martin Hoffner S8727](#)