

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Odom (Odone) S7278

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State of North Carolina County of Johnston: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1832

On this 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions now sitting James Odom a resident of the County of Johnston and State of North Carolina aged about 80 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, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

That he volunteered under Captain Hardy Bryan early in the Revolutionary War for a service of three months. That he rendezvoused at Smithfield – and was marched to Wilmington where he served his complete tour for which he volunteered. The infirmities of age and his shattered memory render it impossible for this Declarant to state almost anything with certainty – but he remembers that he shall never forget that he served his country in her need. He remembers that Samuel Smith was Colonel and John Whitley his Major. That after the service of three months was expired his company was disbanded at Bass' Ferry in Wayne County North Carolina. That some years afterwards he was drafted and placed under the command of Captain Philip Thomas at Smithfield NC and Major William Dennis – That he was marched to Tar River and stayed at Greenville about fifteen days. Hence marched to Fayetteville – then called Cross Creek – and there placed under command of General Linnington [sic, Lillington] & Colonel Brown Major William Dennis – stayed at Fayetteville a few days – thence to Richmond County NC – Thence marched to the Gr. Pedee [River] in SC and stationed at the mouth of Rocky River – stayed there nearly a month – thence to Guilford County NC and disbanded. There was no discharge in writing given but a discharge by parole was given by Captain Thomas after the Service of three months was completely ended, as they were on the march between Guilford and Johnston. He was repeatedly afterwards engaged in suppressing disaffection in Johnston and the adjoining Counties – but cannot pretend to specify any time or times in which he was so engaged. – He states with confidence that he served six months fully & faithfully – That when he entered the Service he resided in Johnston [County] and has always lived in said County – Declarant knows no individual who served with him during his first Term of service – but states

that in his last tour of service Abel Sasser [could be Sassen]¹ served as his fellow soldier – and his memory been refreshed by said Abel in the above particular. The Declarant cannot fix the time of the service – only a few weeks after his return he heard of the battle at Guilford. Declarant has no record of his age – he remembers the name of none of the regular officers in Continental service except those stated.

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 any agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

Test: S/ R. M. Sanders

S/ James Odom, X his mark

I Abel Sasser certify I was in the three months service spoken of by said James Odom in the above Declaration as his second time of service – and know the facts stated to be true –

Sworn the day and year aforesaid

S/ Abel Sasser, X his mark

[Josiah Hinnant & Jesse Hinnant gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1821, for six months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

¹ FPA S7450