

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Sanders S7451

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State of North Carolina, Franklin County: SS

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September A.D. 1832 Personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of Franklin now sitting William Sanders a resident of Franklin and State of North Carolina aged Eighty Six years; who being first 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 named officers and served as herein stated.-- Viz. That he was Drafted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division of the North Carolina Militia (date not recollected) During the Revolution for the space of three months in the County of Bute that part of which is now Warren County and was marched from thence to the Town of Halifax called Head quarters and was there under the Command of Colonel Nicholas Long where he was kept by Colonel Long for the space of four months instead of three when he was discharged by Colonel Long the said Discharge having long since been lost – he then returned home – And was again Drafted in Captain William Christmas'es Company about a month afterwards for a three months Tour. And in a few days was marched on up the Country to Harrisburg – from thence through Hillsborough in said State to the Haw fields – General Greene's Head quarters, under Colonel Pink Eaton [Pinketham Eaton] and General Thomas Eaton and was then marched under the command of General Eaton towards Guilford old Court House where there was a general Engagement – between the enemy and the North Carolina and Virginia militia – the former of which Retreated – General Greene [Nathanael Greene] commanding officer. The North Carolina militia with this applicant being one of them having been Put to flight rendezvoused at Halifax Town about two weeks afterward under the command of Col. Pink Eaton – where they remained about 10 days. They was then marched directly towards Camblin [sic, Camden] in the State of South Carolina to the Place called and known as Gates Defeat – on Lynches Creek after being there about three days – was discharged by Colonel Pink Eaton after serving two months and 20 days in the latter engagement or service which discharge was signed by Colonel Pink Eaton and was taken by Captain Thomas Alston late of Warren County formally Bute being his friend & who were with James Turner late Governor of North Carolina, James Kearney & Benjamin Guttridge [sic, Guthridge?] home together and reached home about three months after they set out – all of whom are dead as he believes making in all six months and 20 days actual service in the two engagements besides about 10 days march from the Place in South Carolina where he and the rest of the company was discharged before they got home.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State or (if any) only on that of the Agency of the State of North Carolina.

\*What Captain Alston done with the said Discharge this applicant does not know he

having long since died.

That he was born in Caroline County in the State of Virginia that he formerly had a record of his age in a family Bible which by accident was six or eight years past torn out and the leaf lost – and he has no exact record of his age. That he lived and now lives in the same section of Country ever since he came to North Carolina first – which was about 60 years ago the County of Bute formerly having been divided and out of which Warren and Franklin Counties were made.

He states that he is known by Presley C. Person, Jeremiah Perry & others who is acquainted with him but not with any Clergyman as he knows of.

Sworn to in open Court the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 and subscribed.

S/ S. Patterson, Clerk

S/ William Sanders, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.22 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, or service as a private for 6 months and 20 days in the North Carolina militia.]