

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jeremiah Scroggs S7455

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State of North Carolina Iredell County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions August Sessions  
1832

On this 24th day of August personally appeared in open Court, before James Campbell, Eli Lorange & Lewis Lowery of the County Court of Iredell County now sitting Jeremiah Scroggs a resident of the County of Iredell and State of North Carolina aged seventy seven years and four months 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That he went to the Snowy Camps<sup>1</sup> under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford], Colonel Caldwell<sup>2</sup> and Captain Perviens [sic, Capt. James Purviance] as a volunteer in December 1775, that on this expedition a number of Tory prisoners were taken and that he served three months, that he marched directly from Rowan County North Carolina to the Snowy camps in South Carolina – & that he was discharged in 177\_[last digit runs off the page and is illegible but the campaign took place in 1775] after serving three months. This applicant further states that he served another campaign under the same officers at Cross Creek, now Fayetteville, North Carolina as a volunteer & that [he] served three months, that he was marched directly from Rowan County North Carolina to Cross Creek against the Tories in the spring of the year 1776 and that he was then a resident of the County of Rowan and State of North Carolina – this applicant further states that he served another campaign of three months under General Rutherford, Colonel David Caldwell and Captain Perviens – that he left home on the expedition in August 1776 and that he marched directly to the Cherokee nation, and that Indians retreated before them, that entered this service as a volunteer – This applicant further saith that he served as a volunteer three months in the year in which the Battle of Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780] occurred under the command of Colonel Locke & Captain Perviens engaged chiefly in the State of North Carolina –

This applicant further states that he served another expedition of two months under the command of General Davidson [William Lee Davidson], Colonel Locke & Captain Thomas Morrison. That he was present in the engagement between the Americans & the British in which General Davidson fell [February 1, 1781]<sup>3</sup> –

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_snow\\_campaign.html](https://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html)

<sup>2</sup> Sic, Lt. Col. Francis Locke

<sup>3</sup> [https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_cowans\\_ford.html](https://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cowans_ford.html)

This applicant further states that he served another campaign under the command of General Rutherford, Colonel Locke & Captain Perviens. That he was drafted & served three months. That he left home in September 1781 and returned in November of the same year. This applicant further states that during the rendering of all this service he was a resident of the County of Rowan North Carolina and that he resides now in Iredell County which was then a part of Rowan. 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 or (if any) only on that of the Agency of the State of North Carolina –  
4<sup>1st</sup>. I was born in the year 1755 in the State of Pennsylvania.

2nd answer

I have a record of my age at home in my Bible –

3rd do

upon the South fork of Yadkin River in Rowan County North Carolina I have lived since that time in the County of Iredell North Carolina excepting one year in the State of Tennessee. I have lived in Iredell County North Carolina

4th answer

I was generally drafted, once a volunteer –

5<sup>th</sup> ans.

I never received a discharge from the service

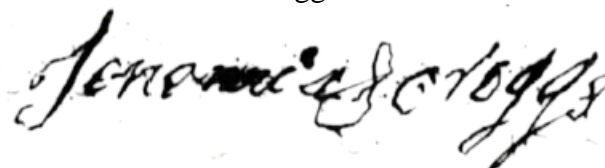
6<sup>th</sup> answer

James Campbell & Joseph W Mordah [sic, Joseph W. Murdoch?]

To the 5th interrogatory this applicant can't answer – The answer above stated believes to be true.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Jeremiah Scroggs



[James Campbell and Joseph W Murdosh [?] gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Iredell County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace Jeremiah Scroggs who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of

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<sup>4</sup> Here the veteran begins to answer the 7 interrogatories promulgated by the War Department to be put to each applicant for a pension. Those 7 interrogatories were as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades: For three months as a volunteer under General Rutherford & Captain Pervines in the year 1775 & 1776 – that he served another time three months under the same officers in the year 1776 as volunteer. That he served another campaign of three months under General Rutherford, Colonel David Caldwell & Captain Perviens in the year 1776. That he served another term for three months as a volunteer under general Rutherford & Captain Perviens. This applicant further notes that he served another campaign of two months under General Davidson, Colonel Locke & Captain Thomas Marston as a volunteer – That he was drafted another time and served three months under the command of General Rutherford, Colonel Locke & Captain Perviens in the year 1781 – and for such service I claim a Pension. This applicant would refer to his declaration which is herewith transmitted and in which he has stricken out the words of ambiguous import and states that period for which he served is definitely set out as well in his declaration as in this amendment.

This applicant saith that there is no clergyman whose evidence or affidavit he can procure and that he has no documentary evidence whatever of his service nor does he think it possible for him to procure any. He submits whether his papers are now authenticated as the regulations direct.

Sworn and subscribed the 21st day of May 1833 before me  
S/ William Harbin, JP

S/ Jeremiah Scroggs

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$56.60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 17 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]