

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Conrad Tippong (Tipps) S7729

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North Carolina, Lincoln County}

On this 10th day of February 1833 personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in & for the County of Lincoln aforesaid, and a member of the County Court of pleas & quarter sessions Conrad Tippong aged about Eighty-Eight years who being duly sworn according to law on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States as a drafted soldier for three months under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] and Colonel Christopher Bateman [Christopher Beekman] and his Captain was a Conrad Rudolph. He was a resident of the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina aforesaid when he entered said service; but the year, month, or day, from his great age & infirmity of body he is unable at this time to recollect, nor has he any documentary evidence in his possession to aid him as to those facts. He was marched under said officers against the Cherokee tribe of Indians & went on to the Valley Towns and traveled through a very rough & unpleasant tract of Country & was very much exposed & suffered many privations of bodily comforts.¹ At the said Valley Towns General Rutherford was to have joined the Army of South Carolina, but said Army reached the place before said Rutherford and had an engagement with the Indians, defeated & dispersed them, consequently General Rutherford & his Army had no fighting to do, and after serving three months and obtained his discharge, (which is now lost) he returned home to the County of Lincoln aforesaid. He was again drafted & entered the service of the United States as a private soldier & served another term of three months under the command of General Charles McDowell of Burke County North Carolina, and Colonel Joseph McDowell of the same County, Captain's name not now remembered, he was marched again to the Cherokee nation of Indians as a mounted infantry soldier, but they did not have any engagement with said Indians as they had obtained some intimation of the approach of our Army & fled. He obtained his discharge (which is now lost) & returned home. But the particular time when he entered said service or when it terminated he does not now, for the reasons before mentioned, now remember. He entered again into the service of the United States as a drafted soldier in the light infantry service under the command of the said Colonel Joseph McDowell & served a tour of three months against the said Cherokees. They had a small skirmish with the said Indians who fled without coming to any general Engagement. He then obtained his discharge (which is now lost) & returned home. But the particular time of entering said service or the termination of the same he does not now remember for the reasons before stated, nor has he any documentary evidence to prove the above facts in his possession or control. Nor does he know of any person within a convenient distance of him to prove his services as above stated. All the aforesaid

¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html

officers and nearly all others who served with him have long since departed this life, nor is there a clergyman living now in his neighborhood who could certify for him as the act of Congress requires. The clergymen who were acquainted with him about the periods of his services & since are all dead, he has therefore to depend upon traditionary evidence to corroborate the statement herein set forth. 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. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Z. Stacy, JP

S/ Conrad Tippong, X his mark

I Susannah Barringer, wife of Mathias Barringer, the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina do hereby certify that I reside in the same neighborhood in which the said Conrad Tippong resides that she has been acquainted with the said Tippong for about 60 years that I recollect the times, and nearly about the times said Tippong was drafted to go against the Cherokee Indians under the command of Generals Rutherford & McDowell. That said Tippong went off from the neighborhood & remained absent for the space of time mentioned in his declaration that I understood, & it was so reported & believed in the neighborhood where I & the said Tippong reside that said Tippong was a soldier in the militia service and did serve as he has stated that her brother served with the said Conrad Tippong under General McDowell who is not an inhabitant of this County and that I concur, in the statement of facts as the said Tippong has set forth.

S/ Susannah Barringer, X her mark

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me.

S/ Z. Stacy, JP

I Mathias Behringer of the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina do hereby certify that I have been a resident of the neighborhood in which Conrad Tippong resides for upwards of 65 years & have been well acquainted with the said Conrad Tippong commonly called Conrad Tipps ever since my childhood and do further certify that it was reported & so understood & believed in said neighborhood that said Tippong was a soldier in the revolutionary war and that he performed the service is as he has stated & that I concur in the same opinion.

S/ Mathias Barringer

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me.

S/ Z. Stacy, JP

The following interrogatories were propounded to the applicant for a pension on account of service in the militia state troops

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer: I was born in the State of Pennsylvania about three or 4 miles from Philadelphia but the year I do not now remember.

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

Answer: I have none

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

Answer: I was living in the County of Lincoln when I was called into service and have lived in the said County since the Revolutionary [War] and do now live and it

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

Answer: I was drafted

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

Answer: the commanding Officers were as I have before named General Rutherford and McDowell and the general circumstances of the service I have already stated in the above declaration

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

Answer: I did obtain discharges from General Rutherford and McDowell at the same are now lost.

[omitted: 7th 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.]

S/ Z. Stacy, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina militia.]