

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Wallis S7795

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State of North Carolina Duplin County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions May Term 1834

On this 28th day of May A.D. 1834 personally appeared in open Court James Wallis a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged ninety-one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration to entitle himself to the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. That he entered the American Army in the War of the Revolution and served as herein after stated (viz.) He entered this service under Captain James Love in the month of March 1778 and served six months. Captain Love's Company was attached to Colonel Lillington's Regiment. He was a volunteer under Captain Love. Was marched from this County to the town of Wilmington where we were stationed for some weeks from thence we were marched to Lockwood's Folly in Brunswick County, was marched thence up the County toward Bladen County to Moore's Creek where we had a fight with the Tories under Colonel McLeod we defeated the Tories.¹ We were joined by Colonel Caswell and his men the night before the battle, from Moore's Creek we were marched back to Wilmington where and in the neighborhood we were stationed till the expiration of the tour of six months. When I was discharged and returned home. He again entered the service under Captain Charles Ward in the month of April 1779 and served three months tour. Captain Ward's Company was attached to Colonel Rutledge's Regiment, was again marched to Wilmington and was stationed at Jumping Run near Wilmington. Nearly all this tour with the exception of occasional expeditions in pursuit of the Tories on the expiration of his tour of service he was discharged at Jumping Run and returned home. He was in no fight during this tour. Was drafted into it. Affiant does not know of any surviving comrade of this service by whom he can prove it in the month of October in that year or the year 1780, he was again drafted into service and Captain Jonathan Taylor's Company who was attached to the Troops commanded by General Lillington from Duplin County he was marched to Cross Creek now Fayetteville where the troops rendezvoused and where Captain Taylor's Company was stationed guarding the Jail where some prisoners were confined, for one month from Fayetteville we were marched to Pedee thence up the Yadkin where we were marched to join General Greene's Army but before we overtook the Army General Lillington received dispatches from General Kenan that the British had taken Wilmington and were marching up Country General Lillington with his troops returned to the Big Bridge above

¹ February 27, 1776. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/moorescreek.htm>

Wilmington where we were stationed till our tour of service expired & we were discharged. He resided in the County of Duplin at each of the periods he entered the service & entered it in that County.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

The following Answers were returned to the interrogatories of the War Department

1st I was born in Jones County in the year 1743.

2nd I have no record of my age

3rd I was living in the County of Duplin where I have lived ever since & now live.

4th. I volunteered in the tour of 6 months, the other 2 tours of 3 months each I was drafted.

5th. In the last tour when I was under Captain Taylor Colonel Thomas Brown of Bladen commanded our Regiment in addition to the officers already named I would name General James Kenan Major Molton Colonel Dickson Lieutenant Hardy Holmes Captain Curtis Ivey

6th I never received a written discharge that I recollect of if I did I have lost them

7th. I would name of Colonel John E. Hussey, Nicholas Hall Esquire, Doctor Stephen Graham, James Pearsall & Jeremiah Pearsall Esquire and Colonel James Cahill capture of the County I could state many more

S/ James Wallis, X his mark

sworn to & subscribed in Open Court the 28th May 1834

Test: James Dickson, Clerk

And the said James Wallis produced in open court in support of his declaration for a Pension the affidavits of David Quinn and William Carr Senior taken before Jeremiah Pearsall Esquire one of the Justices of the Peaceful Duplin County

[Nicholas Hall and John E. Hussey gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Duplin County

This day David Quinn² personally appeared before me and made oath that he served with James Wallis for 3 months during the Revolutionary war in Captain Taylor's Company that said Wallis then and now resides in this County and State aforesaid and served in Captain Taylor's Company for 3 months.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 27th May 1834

S/ David Quinn, S his mark

S/ Jere Taylor, JP

State of North Carolina Duplin County

This day William Carr Senior³ personally appeared before me and made oath that he is well acquainted with James Wallis of the County of Duplin that he knew said Wallis during the Revolutionary War and knows that said James Wallis served 6 months in Captain James Love's Company during the Revolutionary [war] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Lillington of the American line.

S/ William Carr Senior, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th May 1834

S/ Jere. Pearsall, JP

[The veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 12

² [David Quinn W4771](#)

³ FPA S8138

months service in the North Carolina militia.]