Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of William Needham (Leadam) Walker S7814 fn19NC Transcribed by Will Graves rev'd 6/7/10

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North Carolina, Cumberland County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions September Term 1832

On this the 4th of September personally appeared before the Court aforesaid Needham Walker a resident of Cumberland County aged 76 and after being duly sworn according to Law doth on his Oath say and make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That sometime in December 1781 he joined under Draft the Company commanded by Captain Charles Crawford, which were employed at Cross Creek now Fayetteville, in guarding the magazine, and in keeping sentry throughout the Town – that he was engaged in this duty for three months – Colonel Emmet Commander – and in no other duty during that Tour – his discharge for the three months accompanies this application. That afterwards he joined under Draft the Troop of horse under Captain McCranie, Thomas Armstrong Colonel commanding. That they staid some little time in Cross Creek & a Captain Gest – and after he joined them they were crossed the River (Cape Fear) at Campbellton where Gest left them, they then went down the River and after camping one night at one Burt's-- they crossed Atkin's Ferry down between the little rivers in Cumberland, down to Rockfish and back to Fayetteville then Cross Creek, in this Service he was engaged principally in suppressing the Tories and collecting arms. He served in this service three months as will appear on reference to his discharge accompanying this application.

He further states that he served 20 days in 1782 as will appear by Armstrong's (Colonel) certificate each also is appended to this application – and also three of four weeks of which he has no proof, prior to his being Drafted-- that he was in no engagement – nor was never wounded.

He was born in Granville County in August 1756.

That the record of his age is at home in Dyches Dictionary.

He was living in Cumberland County when called into service – and was drafted – both times of service – and now resides in Cumberland County.

That he was acquainted with Colonel Armstrong, Captains Crawford, McCranie, Gest, Lieutenant Hodges & Capt. Nathan King

his discharges accompany this application

The Rev'd Allen McDugald and Richard Huckabee Esq. Justice of the Peace for said County can testify as to character for truth and veracity and as to his reported service as a soldier of the Revolution.

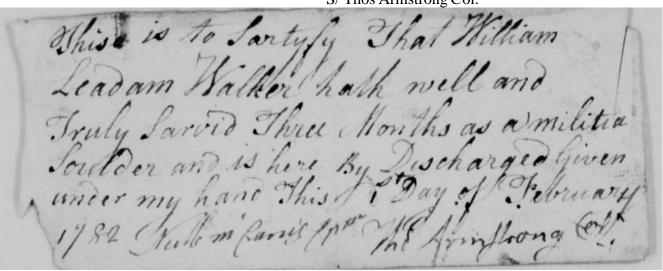
He hereby relinquishes all claim for a pension except the present, and declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. S/Wm L. Walker S/D. McDiarmid, Clk

[Allen McDugald, minister of the Gospel, and Richard Huckabee, Esq., give the standard certification of reputation for truth, age and reputation as a revolutionary soldier.]

This is to Sartyfy That William Leadam Walker hath well and Truly Sarvid Three Months as a militia Soulder and is here By Discharged Given under my hand This 1st Day of February 1782.

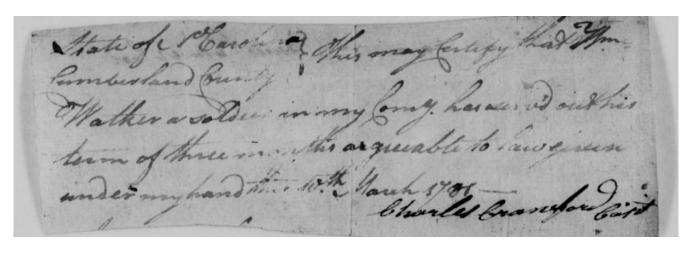
S/ Thos Armstrong Col.



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Cumberland County This may Certify that Nm Walker a soldier in my Comy has served out his term of three months arguably to law Given under my hand this 10^{th} March 1781

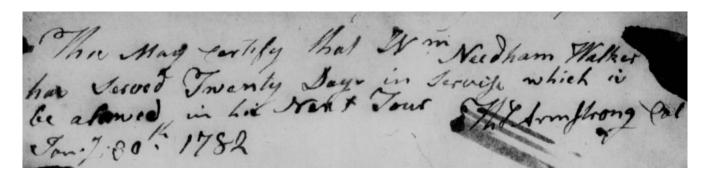
S/ Charles Crawford, Capt.



This May certify that Wm Needham Walker has served Twenty Days in Service which is be allowed in his Next Tour.

Jany 30th 1782

S/ Thos Armstrong, Col.



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$24.72 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 6 months 2 days service as a private of cavalry in the North Carolina militia.