

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Williamson S7939

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State of North Carolina Buncombe County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

On this 6th day of January 1834 personally appeared in Open court, Charles Williamson a resident of the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, aged eighty years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832: That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1776 with Captain Caswell and served in the 5th Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named Officers.

That he first enlisted in Captain Caswell's company commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henderson. This deponent states that he enlisted as above stated on the 26th day of November in the County of Rowan in the State of North Carolina where he then resided, and was marched to Jacksonborough on Edisto River in the State of South Carolina, from that to Charleston, and remained there a length of time, was then marched out through the Country South of Charleston to Stono, and was in the Battle of that place, with the enemy commanded by General Prevost at which place the declarant states that he was taken a Prisoner at that place June 1779 and remained a Prisoner until his term of enlistment expired, at about that time in exchange of Prisoners between Generals Lincoln & Prevost, in which exchange this declarant was one, this declarant states that his time of enlistment being now expired which was three years (a Private) he received a discharge signed by Colonel Henderson, and returned home, and done no other service during the war.

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 of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Charles Williamson



[On June 6, 1837, the veteran applied for a transfer of his pension benefit to the South Carolina agency stating that he has lately moved to Pickens District South Carolina and intends to stay; he

gave it as his reason for moving "That he is old and the winters were too cold in Buncombe for his comfort – the air chill in summer & very changeable – That his youngest son had moved to Pickens District South Carolina. That he was anxious to live with him as he had no Family. That he hopes to be of assistance to his son & his son to be a comfort to him."

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service in the North Carolina Continental line.]