

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Henry Arnot (Arnott) S8030

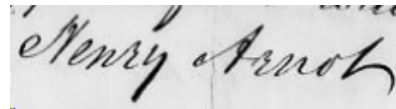
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Monroe County }

On this 22^d day of August personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the said County Henry Arnett a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged seventy one 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 act of congress passed June 7th 1832 that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as therein stated. He enlisted in the next year after the battle of Bunker Hill [17 Jun 1775] which was July 1776 in the county of Sussex in the State of New Jersey under Capt. John Weasner commanded by Maj'r. Logan and Col. Nichols for a five months tour and was discharged at Peekskill in the state of New York. During said tour he was marched from Sussex to Florida in York. He joined the company and was marched from there to New Windsor on Hudson River, the troops then took water and went to West Point; and from there to Kings bridge above New York. After that he was marched to White Plains; from there to Peekskill where he staid until he was discharged. He was in no general engagement but was in a skirmish in a place called Morris Sena [sic: Morrisania] in New York, near a place called Hill gate [sic: Hell Gate]. After getting his discharge, he brought it home, and gave it to his father, at which time, he was only fourteen years of age. Afterwards he served one month in the room of his father who was drafted in the militia from the County of Sussex state of New Jersey commanded by Lieut. Erskine at Paramus above New York. During this tour he was not in any battle. Afterwards he served as a substitute for James Elliss of the county of Sussex and state of New Jersey for one month and was commanded by Lieut. Arnett Col. Sowards [probably John Seward] and Gen'l. [William] Winds he was marched from Sussex to New Windsor on the Hudson River, then to Morristown Princeton and Woodberry [sic: Woodbury] in Jersey, where he was discharged. During this tour he was not in any battle. In 1782 or 1783 the last year of the War, he substituted: the melitia was classed and one of the Classes hired him for three months in the County of Orange state of New York; he served under Capt Gordan Maj'r Logan and Col Wisenfelt, was marched to West Point, Fort Albany, Johnstown, Saratoga, and then to Albany where he was discharged at the time peace was made. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any state. And further declares that he was in no battle, or knows of no person that he can prove the facts of his being in the service as he left that country many years ago

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first written
[Certified by Rev. James Christy and Samuel Clark.]



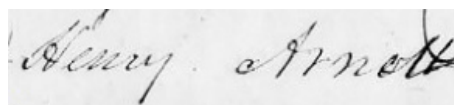
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At a Court held for the County of Monroe at the Court House on monday the 17th day of December 1832 and in the 57th year of the Commonwealth

On this 17th day of December 1832 Henry Arnett the declarant who made the foregoing declaration in the said County Court of Monroe on the 22^d of August last, again, personally appeared in open Court, and being sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following additional declaration. He declares that he served the full term of five months as stated in his said Declaration, afterwards the full term of one month, then one other month, and then the term of three months, makeing in all the full term of ten month which he faithfully served his country in the capacity of a common soldier as stated in his said declaration; he further declares that he heard of peace being made, at Saratoga, and after rejoicing upon that occasion, was marched to Albany where he received a written discharge from the service about the last of November in that year but he does not recollect by whom his discharge was signed. He declares

that he was born the 12th of March 1761, as appears from the record in the family bible which is in his possession, in the state of New York orange county. His Father moved, with him, from the state of New York, to Sussex County in the state of New Jersey about the year 1772, from New Jersey this declarant moved to the state of Virginia. He has resided in the County of Monroe for more than thirty years, and now resides there. He states that he is well acquainted with hundreds of persons by whom he could prove his veracity some of whom are Colo. John Hutchison Colo. Richard Shanklin, Colo. Andrew Beirne a member of the senate of Virginia Henry Alexander Esq a member of the house of Delegates of Virginia, Isaac Caruthers, William Erskine & Maj'r William Vass; that he was acquainted with Gen. James Clinton, Col. Nichols, Maj'r Logan, adjutant Thompson, Capt. Weasner, Lieutenant Dolson & James Gore who belonged to the regular army.

He has forgotten the numbers or names of the Continental or Militia Regiment with which he served Sworn to & subscribed the date above



[The following report is by US District Attorney Washington G. Singleton who investigated hundreds of pension applications in present West Virginia. For details see my appendix to the pension application of David W. Sleeth S6111.]

Henry Arnot

I the undersigned Henry Arnot in pursuance of the requisition of the Secretary of War make the following redeclaration of my services in the war of the Revolution to Wit.

I am a native of Orange county New Jersey. I was born March 12 1761 and lived with my father in Sussex county N Jersey during the war of the Revolution. the second Summer after the war commenced & when the British troops occupied Long Island [Battle of Long Island, 27 Aug 1776] (I cant tell in what year) I Enlisted in Sussex County N.J. for five months. my company under the command of Capt. Jno. Weasner [John Weasner] rendezvoused at Florriday New York. (Dobson & Gore were Lieutenants of the company) and was there reviewed. We marched to New Windsor & then to Kings bridge. at the latter place my company was attached to Col Nichols Regt Genls. Clinton & [John Morin] Scott commanded the brigades (two in number) at Kings Bridge. we remained at the latter place until joined by Gen'l. Washington's army when the whole under his command marched to the white Plains – at the latter place the two armies had an engagement [28 Oct 1776] – but my brigade was not in the engagement. after the Battle my Reg't. was stationed at Peak Kill on the Hudson river where we remained until my term of Enlistment (5 months) expired. I got home on Christmas day. was at least five months in actual service. I think I was in my fourteenth year of age when I Enlisted. I went into the service as a waiter to my Captain – but immediately after getting to Kings bridge – as above stated I took my gun and done all the duties of a Soldier for the balance of the tour.

Some time after the last preceding tour (perhaps the next succeeding Summer) I cant tell in what year) I served a tour of one month at Paramus in the Militia. I cant now recollect the name of my Capt. but — Stagg was first Lt. & — Askin 2^d Lt.

In the fall of the year in which Mud Island was taken by the British [Fort Mifflin, 15 Nov 1777] (I cant tell the year) I served a tour of one month in the Militia at the Red Banks [Red Bank NJ]. I cant now recollect the name of my Captain — Arnot was my Lt. I was attached to Col Sowerd's Regt. & Genl. Winds brigade.

in the same fall in which Cornwallis & his army were captured at Yorktown Virginia I served a three month tour in the Militia und Capt. Gordon & Genl. Sterling [sic: William Alexander, Lord Stirling] at Saratoga & in that region of country – & thus ended my Services. I proved my Services by reputation only. Henry Alexander wrote my Declaration to whom I gave the same narrative in substance now given – he charged me nothing. In Witness of all which I hereto subscribe my name. September 5, 1835

Witness/ J W Kelley

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NOTE: On 25 Feb 1833 Arnot was issued a certificate for a pension of \$33.33 per year for 10 months service.