

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Barnabus (Barney) Lashley S8819

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[Note: The version of this application posted on Fold3.com as of 10/26/14 is very difficult to read: the version posted on Heritage.com is easily legible.]

State of North Carolina Orange County: Court of pleas & quarter Sessions February term 1833

On this the first day of March 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of pleas & quarter Sessions, now sitting, Barnabas Lashley, aged about 81 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 herein stated.

That sometime in the latter part of the year of 1780, he was drafted as a private for three months in the service of the United States, the place where he was drafted was at Thomas Thompson's (now owned by Si Thompson) and that the company to which this applicant was attached when drafted, was commanded by Captain Eli McDaniel & John Stut was Lieutenant the Ensign not recollected. After being drafted the Company he was attached to was commanded by a Captain Jones, and one Hightower was Lieutenant, was organized he thinks in the Town of Hillsboro, he however did not join the Company till they had proceeded as far as Deep River. From Deep River this applicant with said Company marched to Green's [sic, Nathanael Greene's] Camp, which was then at the Cheraw Hill in South Carolina; whilst at Greene's Camp this applicant with others was employed a greater part of the time in procuring beeves for Greene's Army. Towards the expiration of his tour this applicant with one Ampson Taylor was employed by Greene to bear an express from said camp to the Governor of this State who then resided in the Town of Hillsboro -- and thinks that Martin or Burke was Governor. In a few days after delivering this express his tour of three months expired & he returned home.

This applicant further states that sometime in the summer of 1781 he was again drafted in the service of the United States, the Company to which he was now attached, was under the command of Captain James Trousdale, and stationed in Hillsboro to protect said town, and whilst in the service this applicant with all the militia in said town were made prisoners [September 12, 1781] by a certain Tory forces under the command of Colonels Fanning [David Fanning] & McNeil [Hector McNeill], and with the other prisoners made in said town were taken on towards Wilmington in this State, and whilst at Raft Swamp, he with twelve others of the prisoners was paroled and returned home, amongst those who were paroled and came home with him were William Gordon, Josiah Watts & Thomas Faucett, after being at home a short time he again

joined a company of militia that was then guarding Town, in which service he remained till the expiration of his 3 months Tour, when he received a regular discharge for said term from the commanding officer in Hillsboro and returned home.

Besides the two tours just enumerated, this Applicant states that subsequent to the expiration of the last mentioned Tour, he was on several excursions in suppressing the Tories -- that in these excursions he ranged the neighborhoods of Deep River & Sandy Creek in Randolph County, & South Cain Creek in Orange. That in these excursions he cannot state with precision as to the length of time he served in each tour, but thinks it cannot be less than six or eight weeks in the aggregate, which with the two former tours, make eight months he was in the Service of the United States as near as he can now compute and knows of no person living by whom he can prove any part of his services except Reuben Smith.¹

This applicant further states that he was born in the state of Pennsylvania about the year of 1752 & was moved here when about 9 years old.

That he had a record of his age but that it is now lost.

That he was living in the above County of Orange, when called into Service and that he has been living in said County ever since.

That in the two first Tours he was drafted and in the subsequent ones he volunteered.

That he knew General Greene, General Butler, Colonel Lytle, Colonel Robert Mebane, Colonel Jo Taylor & others --

That he received discharges for his two first Tours, but that they are now lost.

That he is known in his neighborhood to John Jones Esquire James Moore & William Thompson Esquire.

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 whatever.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court, the day and year aforesaid.

Test S/ J. Taylor, CC

S/ Barney Lashley, X his mark

[James Moore & John Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Orange County: February Term A.D. 1833

On this the 1st day of March 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions now sitting James Moore, who being qualified in due form of law maketh oath that he has heard his brother John Moore who served in the war of the revolution say that Barnabas Lashley served a three months tour with him in Greene's Army and were part of the time of gathering beeves for said Army.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James Moore

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State of North Carolina Orange County

On this the 24th day of May A.D. 1833 personally appeared before the undersigned Justices of the peace for the County of Orange in the State aforesaid, Barnabas Lashley of Orange aforesaid about 81 years of age now an applicant for a pension who being first duly qualified according to law upon his oath maketh the following statement supplementary to his

¹ [Reuben Smith S7547](#)

Declaration for a pension (Viz)

That he was drafted in the United States Service on the 11th or 12th day of October 1780, as a private, and on his march to General Greene's Camp which was then at Cheraw Hill South Carolina he fell in with the companies of militia from this State, recollects that of Captain Jamison's Company and that on the 2nd night before they arrived at Cheraw, there was an alarm given, but it proved to be a false one and done to try the courage of the soldiers. And further that on the day he delivered his express to the Governor in Hillsboro or day after his 3 months tour for which he had been drafted expired [he] received a discharge therefore and returned home. Colonel Lytle [Archibald Lytle] was also in Hillsboro at the time as well as he now remembers & said Lytle was [too faint to discern] the Regiment, he was in [entire line of text too faint to discern].

His 2nd Tour he entered upon on the 10th day of August 1781 in Trousdale's Company and said Lytle was also Colonel of his Regiment now, and General John Butler was also with them. This Declarant broke his parole after keeping it but 8 days, [indecipherable word] to Hillsboro and again placed himself under his Captain Trousdale who escaped being made prisoner on the 6th of September of said year when Colonel Fanning took the town of Hillsboro. This Declarant remained under Trousdale guarding said town till the 19th of November following, he thinks was the day, when his 3 months Term expired, and he returned home after having first received a discharge for said tour, which is now lost –

In this Declarant further states that subsequent to the expiration of the 3 months Tour last mentioned, He served in 3 Tours against the Tories to wit and December 1781 & and in the spring & fall following, and the Declarant upon his oath further deposeth and saith

That by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the days he entered [several lines of text too faint to discern]

1st in December 1781 and served 2 weeks. Eli McDaniel he thinks was Captain and Jno Stut Lieutenant William O'Neal Colonel and General Alexander Mebane was with us also -- these were our superior officers in this excursion, we were at Bells Mill on Deep River, Iron Works in Chatham and South Cain Creek in Orange

2nd Tour. Commenced about the middle of May of 1782, organized in the Town of Hillsboro -- Jones was our Captain, the Lieutenant not now remembered, O'Neal was Colonel and General Butler was also with us -- these were our superior officers. In this tour we ranged Sandy Creek, part of Chatham & South West of Orange -- and after serving a Tour of 4 weeks returned home and was discharged by General Butler

3rd Tour. Commenced about the first of September of said year 2 with 1782. James Trousdale was Captain – O'Neal and Butler again were our superior officers. In this tour, which lasted 2 weeks we ranged the South West of Randolph County and Deep River in Chatham, and after serving till the 15th of September of said year to wit 1782 they were by Butler and returned home. The above is a faithful statement (upon oath) as memory somewhat impaired by age now can make.

The five several tours he served these United States in the war of the revolution in the aggregate make eight months and for which he claims a pension -- and that for the Term of the said 8 months, he was in each tour or term, with an embodied Corps, called into service by competent authority and not employed in any civil pursuit --

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written.

Witness S/ James A. Craig, JP

S/ Barnabas Lashley, X his mark

[Ezekiel B. Currie, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum for his services in the revolution.]