

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Moore S8899

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State of North Carolina, New Hanover County

On this the 12th day of September A.D. 1833 before me Washington Collins a Justice of the Peace in and for said County personally appeared James Moore Senior, a resident of New Hanover County and the State of North Carolina aged eighty-four 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.

1st In a company of New Hanover militia under Captain Thomas Blutworth [Thomas Bloodworth] in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Lillington [John Alexander Lillington] in the fall of the year 1775 and served five months as a private, his other officers he forgets, that he was a volunteer; that when he entered the service he resided in New Hanover County N. C. that he was in the battle at Moore's Creek bridge in February 1776 [February 27, 1776] between the Tories and Americans and saw Captain McLeod killed; that his company embodied at Moore's Creek bridge and were stationed there guarding the bridge as it was apprehended the Tories would aim to pass and join the enemy below on board their ships of war in Cape Fear [River]; -- From Moore's Creek bridge he marched into South Carolina, to Charleston where he was taken sick and put into the hospital remained there about a fortnight and discharged; that he recollects no Continental regiments or soldiers, nor any regular officers; that he has no documentary evidence now, but had not long since a discharge given him at the hospital in Charleston, it is now lost or misplaced, and he knows of no person now alive by whom he can prove this service.

2.-- In a company of New Hanover militia his Captain nor any of his company officers he cannot recollect as he is very aged and has consequently lost his memory, but he was in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Blutworth and according to the best of his recollection he served three months as a private, that he was a volunteer; that it was in the first of the year 1781 that while he was in this service there was a skirmish near the Big Bridge in this County on the East side, this declarant being stationed on the West or opposite side, that he did not march out of the County being stationed at the Big Bridge, that he has no documentary evidence and knows of no person now alive by whom he can prove this service.

3.-- He again volunteered in a company of New Hanover militia in the summer of 1781 and served according to the best of his recollection two months as a private in a Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Blutworth his other officers he forgets, he recollects however that Colonel James Kenan was at Rockfish where he was stationed and where there was a skirmish [May 13, 1781] with the enemy, that he has no documentary evidence and knows of no person now alive by whom he can prove his service.

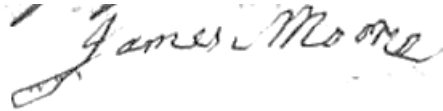
Answers of James Moore the aforesaid applicant to the questions propounded to him by the Justice of the Peace aforesaid as prescribed by the War Department.

1. I was born in New Hanover County N. C. in February 1749.
2. I have no record of my age.
3. I have always lived in this (New Hanover) County N. C.
4. I always volunteered.
5. I recollect no regular officers, nor no Continental regiments; the militia regiments, I remember were Colonel Lillington's, Colonel Caswells [sic, Richard Caswell], Col. Kenan's, and Colonel Bludworth's; the general circumstances of my service as well as I can recollect them are related in my declaration.
6. I never received but one discharge, and that was given me at the hospital in Charleston S. C. who gave it me I don't recollect and it is either lost or mislaid.
7. Nicholas Bowden, Anthony D. Bourdeaux, Washington Collins, Esq., Jacob Wales, John Moore, James D. Cruz, Daniel Bourdeaux, Rev'd William Armstrong and others I could name.

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.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ James Moore

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Moore". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ James Moore".

Test: S/ W. Collins, JP

[William Armstrong, a clergyman, and Samuel Rivenbark gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the North Carolina militia.]