Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Muir S8902

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State of Maryland, County of Somerset Sc

On this Twelfth day of December 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the Orphans court of Somerset county now sitting, Thomas Muir a resident of the State and county aforesaid, aged seventy eight years; who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832.

That he the said Thomas Muir enlisted in the Second Maryland Regiment early in the Revolutionary War, and continued in the army until the close of the contest, that he fought under Captain Crompton [Compton?], Major Roxburg [sic: Alexander Roxburgh] and General Guest [sic: Mordecai Gist] in various battles – that he laboured on the military works at the Seige of York Town in Virginia [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], and witnessed the surrender of the last British Army to General Washington. That he resided in Somerset County in the State of Maryland at the time he enlisted, and that he has served in different states and parts of the Country. That he knows of no documentary evidence to prove his service excepting the Muster Rolls of the State of Maryland, nor of any living person whose testimony he can procure, but his services were known to many who are dead

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any state, excepting a pension granted by the state of Maryland

Thomas hisXmark Muir

Land Office Annapolis Dec'r 28th 1831.

I Certify that it appears by the Muster Rolls remaining in the Office, that Thomas Muir enlisted as a private in the second Maryland Regiment, on the twentieth day of May seventeen hundred and seventy eight; and was present on the first day of November seventeen hundred and eighty [see endnote];

George G. Brewer/ Reg'r Land Office W.S.Md.

NOTES:

The name on a muster roll of Maryland Continentals dated 1 Nov 1780 generally indicates that the soldier was at the Battle of Camden SC on 16 Aug 1780.

A Treasury-Department document states that Joseph Muir, administrator of Thomas Muir, received the final pension payment up to the date of the latter's death, 10 Feb 1837.