

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Peddy S8945

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State of North Carolina Chatham County} Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions February Term
1837

On this 13th day of February 1837 Personally appeared in Open Court, before the Court, now sitting, Andrew Peddy, a resident of the County of Chatham & State of North Carolina, aged Seventy-Nine years & upwards, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declarations, 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.

In the year 1779, he volunteered his services in a Company of Militia in the County of Wake State of North Carolina, commanded by Captain Bledsoe [Lewis Bledsoe] and was mustered into Service at Wake old Court house, from whence he was marched to Hillsboro, where he joined a Regiment commanded by [Lt.] Colonel Farmer [Thomas Farmer of Orange County], from whence he was marched to Salisbury where we were joined by other troops, from thence to Savannah, in Georgia, where we joined the Army commanded by General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], from thence to Charleston, South Carolina, which place he reached near Christmas and remained there till near the last of March, thence he marched to Charloote [sic, Charlotte] in North Carolina, where he was discharged after having served at least five months -- His discharge was signed by Captain Bledsoe and is now lost or destroyed & he is unable to procure the same --

In the last of August or thereabouts in 1780, he was drafted in the County of Wake, State of North Carolina, and joined a Company Commanded by Captain Woodson Daniel at Hillsboro, from thence he marched to Salisbury, from there to Charlotte and joined a Regiment commanded by Colonel Umphries [sic, perhaps John Humphreys of Guilford County], where he remained guarding Prisoners until the term of his service expired, after having served at least three months, his discharge was signed by Colonel Umphries, but is now lost or destroyed and he is unable to procure the same.

In the year 1781, he volunteered his services in a Company of horse in the County of Wake, NC, commanded by Captain Matthew McCulloch [sic, Matthew McCullers of Johnston County] and mustered at Wake Court house, from whence he marched to near Hillsboro, where they received intelligence of the capture of the Governor [Thomas Burke] of the State, and a number of officers by the Tories under the Command of Colonels McNeil [Hector McNeill] & Fanning [David Fanning], whom we immediately pursued and overtook them at Cane Creek

where a battle ensued in which the Whigs under the command of General Butler [John Butler], Colonels Luttrell [John Luttrell] & Mebane [Robert Mebane] were defeated, Colonel Luttrell & Major Nall [John Nall] fell in this action,¹ this declarant was in the action and saw Major Nall when he fell, from there we pursued the Tories to near Wilmington & had a slight skirmish with them in the neighborhood of the Cape Fear River, he was marched to the White Marsh and in the neighborhood of Lumberton on Drowning Creek where we remained for some time subduing the Tories, when he was marched back to Wake County & discharged, after having served at least 3 months, he received no written discharge on this occasion --

This declarant further states that he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to testify to his Services, & he further states that the reason why he has not applied at an earlier period for his pension is that he did not believe, that the act of June 7th 1832 was a law founded in Wisdom and he did not intend to apply for any benefit under it, nor should he have done so at this time but from the advice of his family, and the necessities of his family --

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 or Territory in the Union.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid --

S/ Andw Peddy



[Thomas Lasater and Jonathan Haralson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The following Questions were propounded by the Court to the declarant, and answered as herein stated --

Question 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer.-- I was born in the County of Halifax in the State of Virginia, in the year 1757.

Question 2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer.-- I have the record of my age, at home, in a family Bible --

Question 3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer.-- I lived in the County of Wake when called into service & remained there until 1818 when I removed to the County of Chatham where I at present reside --

Question 4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer.-- I volunteered on two occasions & was drafted on the third, --

Question 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer.-- This question is answered in the body of my declaration --

Question 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given

¹ Lindley's mill, September 13, 1781

http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_lindleys_mill.html

and what has become of it?

Answer.-- This Question is also answered in the body of my declaration. --

Question 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer.-- Honorable Abram Rencher, now member of Congress, Doctor Spence McClenahan, a member of the Legislature of North Carolina, Abraham G. Keen Esquire Chairman of the County Court of Chatham, Charles I. Williams Esquire late clerk of the Superior Court, Thomas Lasater, Jonathan Haralson, Thomas Ragland, George Luther, George H. Shutt, Robert Faucette Esquire, and a number of other respectable persons if it be necessary to state them.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$36.66 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 11 months in the North Carolina militia.]