

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William McMennamy S9013

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State of North Carolina, Caswell County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions January Term 1834

On this 9th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four personally appeared in open court before the worshipful Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions now in session for the County of Caswell and State of North Carolina, William McMennamy, a resident of the said County of Caswell and State of North Carolina aged Seventy three years old on the 9th day of June last, 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 (to Wit):

Some time in the month of August 1780 he entered the service as a volunteer while he was living in the County of Caswell and State of North Carolina under Capt. John McMullen [sic]¹, Lieut. David Mitchell and Robert Culbertson Ensign and rendezvoused at Henry Williams' in said County where Col. James Williams took command and marched from there to Salisbury and Stayed there some time. From there we marched to the Catawba River. From there we marched to Broad River and maneuvered about there until we met with Col. Clark [Elijah Clarke] and then marched immediately to Kings Mountain and was in the battle [October 7, 1780] at that place and from there we marched to Salem in said State Col. Clark having left us. We lay at Salem several weeks and guarded our prisoners until our four months tour was expired. When we were disbanded after having served four months, this declarant then returned home and remained there until some time in January 1781 when he again volunteered himself for three months under Capt. Robert Parks [Robert Park] and rendezvoused at Col. William Moore's in said County & State and lay there several days. Our object was to keep Cornwallis in suspense until Genl. Greene [Nathanael Greene] should arrive with reinforcements of regular troops. We marched from Moore's to Dan River in Virginia where we lay some time waiting for Genl. Greene. While we were there we received information that the British had turned their course. We then recrossed the river and marched back to Col. Moore's. This Deponent was marched from there into Orange County to a public place known by the name of Capt. Piles' [sic, Pyle's] where a parcel [sic] of the Tories had assembled. We dispersed them and maneuvered about in Orange and Guilford Counties until the arrival of Genl. Greene with the

¹ [John McMullin \(McMullen\) W4287](#)

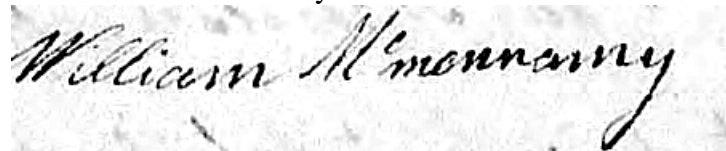
Continental troops. After the arrival of Genl. Greene, this Declarant was marched to Guilford Court house where we met the enemy and fought that memorable battle on the 15th of March 1781 in which battle we were defeated. We retreated to Troublesome Iron Works and a few days, we were disbanded, our time being expired. This Declarant does not recollect all his Officers but he was first under Col. William Moore then Under Genl. Andrew Pickens until the arrival of Genl. Greene. This Declarant further saith both tours that he served was of Companies of Mounted Infantry.

This Declarant would also further state that he has once before this time made a Declaration & forwarded it to the War office and has received information that it never reached there.

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 that he knows of.

This Declarant further states he was born in the County of Orange and State of North Carolina on the 9th day of June 1760. He, this declarant, has a record of his age in his father's handwriting. This declarant was living in the County of Caswell and State of North Carolina when he entered the Service and has lived in said County ever since. This Declarant states he was a volunteer, he does not recollect of any regular officers except Genl. Greene that was with the troops where he served. That he does not recollect how many Regiments of Continental troops he served with for he was with them but a few days when he was disbanded with the rest of his Company. This Declarant does not recollect the militia regiments he was in company with except the one he was in. He further states that he never received a discharge but was disbanded when the time for which he volunteered had expired. This Declarant knows of no person by whom he can prove his services except Capt. John McMullen who was his Captain in his first tour. That he knows of no person by whom he can prove the service of [the] last tour and has to rely upon his own oath. He is acquainted [with]: David D Nutt, Esqr., William Warren, & Hiram Parks and others who will prove for him an honest character for truth and good behavior.

S/ William McMennamy

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William McMennamy". The ink is dark and the paper appears aged.

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Paul A. Haralson, Clerk

[Robert McKee and David D Nutt gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Hiram Parks and William Warren also testified as to the credibility of the applicant.]

I John McMullin of Caswell County and State of North Carolina, do Certify & declare that William McMennamy he was a private in my company of mounted Infantry, as stated in his declaration, in which he served in the Battle of Kings Mountain and elsewhere as stated, for the term of four months this service in the War of the Revolution I do know was rendered by said McMennamy, and have every reason to believe, the balance as stated in his declaration was also rendered. -- Sworn to & subscribed, this night January 1834.

S/ J. McMullin

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$23.83 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 7 months in the North Carolina militia.]