

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William McKinney S9017¹

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State of North Carolina Rutherford County

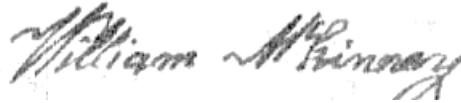
On this 23rd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court William McKinney before the Judges of the County Court of Rutherford resident in and for said County aged in his 67th year who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. I entered the service of the United States under a militia officer I was in the 17th year resident from Franklin County North Carolina & Warrenton & was put under Lieut. T. Paster [sic, Thomas Pastuer] & Major Hogg [Thomas Hogg] from Halifax and marched on by Hillsboro to Salisbury then to General Green's Army [sic, Nathanael Greene's Army] on Ashley River 12 miles from Charleston there I was put under Major Blunt [sic, probably Reading Blount] & Col. Little [sic, Archibald Lytle] & Capt. Carter [John Carter²] after a short time I was [indecipherable word] an infantry company under Capt. Rayford [sic, Robert Raiford] & Lieut. Pastors & served with the Horse of Col. Washington & General Lee to Charleston SC & took possession of the Town -- the British had left the same morning the fires of the gard [sic, guard ?] was still burning from there we went to St. James Island [sic, James Island] and some time in June I left on account of sickness 11 days before the soldiers were furloughed I started from home on the 7th day of August 1782 for an 18 months Tour & I got home on the 7th of July 1783 my father [indecipherable word] a class of 20 of their draft & sent me in his stead.

I have no documentary proof. I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declare my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State. Sworn & subscribed this day & year aforesaid.

S/ William McKinney

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² In an affidavit he gave in support of the claim filed by the widow of Capt. John Carter, this veteran says he was put under Captain John Carter of SC for a brief while at Ashley Hill. See FPA W8587



[Drury Dobbins, a clergyman, and Lemuel Moore gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I Willis Withers [sic] after being duly sworn according to law depose & say upon oath that I was acquainted with William McKinney who has sworn & subscribed to the above declaration & that he in the month of August 1782 started from Franklin County North Carolina under a militia officer in the service of the United States for an 18 months Tour as a substitute for his father Daniel McKinney and after peace was made I think in the month of July 1783 he came home to Franklin County. Sworn & subscribed this day & year aforesaid.

S/ Willis Weathers,³ X his mark

Interrogatories by the Court

first I was born in Virginia Louisa [?] County in 1764

2nd I have one as stated by my father

3rd I was living in Franklin County North Carolina I've lived there a short time after the war & then moved to York District South Carolina & then moved to Sandytan [?] where I now live

4th I was a substitute for my father Daniel McKinney

5th General Lee Col. Washington a Continental Capt. Hall Major Amsted [?] Capt. Sharp Capt. Coleman of the NC line. When we received news of peace we were marched into a large old field near General Gist's & had great rejoicing & drew double rations the officers caused a long high pole to be set up & candles fixed thereon to luminate [illuminate] the Camp.

[6th Interrogatory was not put to the applicant.]

7th Charles Durham, David Gould David Bram, Samuel Baley, Samuel Julian, John Hood.

[fn p. 9, On March 25, 1855, while living in Rutherford County, NC, William McKinney, 89, filed for his bounty land entitlement under the 1855 act stating that he was the same man who served under Capt. Carter in Col. Archibald Lytle's Regiment and under Capt. Robert Raiford in Col. Armstrong's Regiment.]

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State of North Carolina Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do certify that I do not find the name of William McKinney on the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary War, neither do I find it own any other document in this Office affording evidence of service in said line corresponding to his declaration No. 30056 -- I find that a Warrant for the services of William McKinney a revolutionary Soldier was issued in 1784 for 640 acres of land, the quantity allowed by law to a war soldier, which warrant was delivered to Col. Lytle. I find that W. McKinney a Waggoner was allowed by a Board of Commissioners who sat in Hillsboro in 1792, sitting for the accounts of Officers and Soldiers of the line aforesaid, the sum of 73 pounds 18 shillings which sum was paid to William McKinney.

Given under my hand this 19th day of Marched 1834.

S/ W. Hill

³ FPA S7862

[facts in file: veteran died October 31, 1857; grandson David W. McKinney was living in Yanceyville, NC in 1859; there is no other family data in the file.]

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