

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nasby Mills S9025¹

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State of North Carolina Pitt County} SS

On this 9th Day of November 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the State and County aforesaid now sitting Nasby Mills a resident of Pitt County and State of North Carolina aged Seventy years who being first duly sworn agreeable 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. That he was a resident of Pitt County No. Ca. when he was drafted, in the year 1779, and was under the command of Capt. Samuel Barrow, and was marched from Greenville North Carolina to Kingston [sic, Kinston] -- from Kingston to Smithfield -- and from thence to Salsbury [sic, Salisbury] to South Carolina to join General Gates [Horatio Gates], but did not join General Gates before his defeat at the Eutaw Springs,² on hearing of the defeat of General Gates, he was marched back, on the side of the Yadkin River where he was taken sick and placed in the Hospital where he remained about one month, and received a discharge, in this term of service he Served three months -- the Regiment which I joined in the above Service was commanded by Col. Seawell & Col. Sitgraves.³ In the year of 1780 he was drafted again and placed under the command of Capt. Herritage [William Herritage] at Kingston North Carolina, from thence he was marched to Guilford [sic, Guilford] Court House where he remained four or five days he was marched to South Carolina on Drowning Creek and different parts of that State until his term of Service expired which was three months and was discharged at Kingston North Carolina; the Company which I was attached to was commanded by Major Pastaur.⁴ His discharge was given him by Capt. Johnston -- which discharges I have lost. That he has no documentary evidence to prove it. 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 and Subscribed in open Court the ninth day of November 1833.

¹ There is a note on the cover page that this veteran was erroneously pensioned under the name Narby Miles.

² Gates was defended at the Battle of Camden on August 15-16, 1780, not at the Battle of Eutaw Springs. Eutaw Springs occurred on September 8, 1781. Nathanael Greene commanded the American forces at Eutaw Springs. For the Battle of Camden, see <http://battleofcamden.org/index.htm> . For the Battle of Eutaw Springs, see <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/810908.htm> .

³ Possibly a reference to John Sitzgreaves, a member of the staff of General Richard Caswell.

⁴ This MAY be a reference to Thomas Pasteur.

S/ Nasby Mills, X his mark

Sworn to and Subscribed in Open Court this night day of November 183_

S/ Arch Parker, Clk

[William Pugh & Frederick Haddock gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

1st Where and in what year were you born?

I was born in Pitt County No. Ca. In the year 1763

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

I have a record of my age

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

I lived in Pitt County and have lived there ever since

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: Col. Benj. Seawell, Col. Sitgraves, Major Pasteur, Governor Spright, Genl. Gates Regiment, the general circumstances not recollected

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.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

I received one discharge from Capt. Samuel Barrow & one from Capt. Johnson which discharges I have lost.

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 Gideon Pettit, Major William Pugh, Isaac Buck, Robert Hatton

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"This is to certify that Naseby Mills Senr. has proven before me by the oath of Isaac Buck Senr.⁵ That he served in the Revolutionary War with the said Isaac Buck in Capt. William Heritages Company of Militia three months Samuel Dudley Lieut. and that he joined head quarters at Kingston North Carolina, and went from there to Smithfield from thence to Cross Creek now called Fayetteville from there into South Carolina and from there back to Kingston and there was regularly discharged. The said Isaac Buck says that he knows of said Millses being gone at another time into the service but does not know how long given under my hand the 18th of July 1833.

S/ Henry Harding, J. P."

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"This is certify that Naseley Mills Snr. has proven before made by the oath of Robert Hatton Snr.⁶ that he Served in the Revolutionary War with the said Robert Hatton Snr. In Capt. Saml. Barrows Company of Militia Three months & one Mr. ^{Daniel} Frogmartin [probably Lt. John Throckmorton] Lieutenant and that he joined head Quarters at Kingston North Carolina and went

⁵ [Isaac Buck S9113](#)

⁶ I could not find anyone by this name listed as a claimant for a federal pension for services rendered in the Revolution.

from thence up the Country [Contentnea Creek] not recolecting the places where ecept Carlot
[Charlotte] and Soulsbary [Salisbury] and at Sauls Bury [Salisbury] were regularly Discharged
Given under my hand the 22nd of July 1833.

S/ John Cherry, JP"

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as
a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]