

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William McIntosh S9424

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South Carolina, Sumter District and County of Salem: SS

On this 30th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before B. J. Earle, one of the Judges of the Court of General Sessions and Common Pleas now Sitting, William McIntosh, a resident of Sumter District in the County of Salem and State of South Carolina aged Sixty-eight (born April 7, 1764) years 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 and served under the following named officers and served as herein stated, viz: General Francis Marion, Colonel Richard Richardson [Jr.], Lt. Colonel John James, Captain John Singleton, First Lieutenant Joseph Hill, 2nd Lieutenant John Harvin[.] He has no documentary evidence of the exact day when he entered the service. It was early in the year 1781[, he] believes he was in the Service when General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] defeated Tarlton [sic, Banastre Tarleton] which was on the 17th of January in the year 1781 [Battle of Cowpens]. [H]e left the service when General Marion [Francis Marion] discharged his Brigade at Watboo [sic, Wadboo] after the Evacuation of Charleston, which was on the 14th of December, 1782. [H]e continued to serve in Marion's Brigade under different officers who commanded scouting parties in which service he was generally engaged. [H]e was under the command of Captain James McColley [sic, James McCauley], Captain Colcloug [sic, Alexander Colcolough?] Captain Dukes [William Dukes], Captain Hill [Joseph Hill] and a number of other officers not recollected until the Summer of 1782 when the Militia were drafted; when the relief came into camp his Executor, Peter Mellette [Peter Melett, Jr.?] was one of them, who persuaded him to serve in his place as a substitute which he did and continued to do Mellette's duty and his own until the discharge at Wadboo. [W]hen he entered the service he resided on the High Hills of Santee, now the County of Clairmont [sic] in Sumter District. He entered the service as a volunteer. One of Marion's scouts came to the Schoolhouse where he was going to school. He joined them and continued with them until they returned to Marion's Camp. He was with General Marion and Colonel Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee] at the taking of Fort Watson at Scott's Lake in April 1781. He was with Marion and Lee at the taking of Fort Mott in May. [H]e was with General Marion at Georgetown when the town was evacuated by the British troops in June. [W]as at the Battle of Eutaw Springs on the 8th of September. [W]as with Colonel Maham [Hezekiah Maham] when he took upwards of eighty prisoners in sight of the British Army below Monk's Corner [sic, Moncks Corner] on the 16th of October. In the year 1782 he served in Captain James McColley's [sic, James McCauley's ?] Troop of Militia horse. The country through which we marched was on both sides of the Santee and between Santee and Ashley River, Cooper River,

Georgetown and the Peepees [sic, Pedee Rivers]. [H]e served with Colonel Lee's Legion, Colonel Washington's [William Washington's] horse, Colonel Maham [Hezekiah Maham], and Colonel Hory [sic, Peter Horry] State troops: he knew General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], Colonel Lee, Colonel Washington, Colonel Armstrong, Captain Rodulf [sic, Michael Rudolph], Captain Eggleston [Joseph Eggleston], Major Conyers, Lieutenant Manning.

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.

S/ Wm McIntosh



Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ B. J. Earle, Presiding judge of the Court of Common Pleas & sessions at Sumter courthouse in the district & state aforesaid in open Court.

[William Potts and Robert Wilson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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In amendment of the within Declaration

South Carolina Sumter District Salem County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Quorum for said District William McIntosh who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he has a record of his Age in his own possession & this deponent further saith that Colonel Richard J. Manning, Colonel John P. Richardson, Colonel Evan Bonbow & Captain John M. Witherspoon can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution and this deponent further saith that he cannot find one person now living that was with him when he first volunteered in behalf of his Country, and by reason of Old Age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades; For four months under the command of Captain John Singleton & Colonel Richard Richardson Regiment Marion's Brigade as a Volunteer; for two months in Captain James McColley's Volunteer Troop of horse same Regiment a volunteer; For twelve months under the command of Captain Joseph Hill same Regiment & Brigade as a Sergeant; and for such service I claim a pension.

Sworn and subscribed this 8th day of April 1833

S/ Wm McIntosh

and I do hereby Certify that John Courar & R. W. James are respectable clergyman.

S/ C. H. Fullwood, JQ

[John Cousar, V. D., Robert W. James, V. D., both clergymen, and R. Witherspoon gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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I Reddin McCoy¹ residing in the District of Sumter Claremont County and State of South Carolina do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Wm McIntosh who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration; that we Served together in Marion's Brigade; was at the taking [of] Fort Watson in April 1781 and at the taking of Fort Mott in May following; that he believes the above declaration to be true.

S/ Reddin McCoy

¹ Sic, [Redden McCoy S7198](#)

William McIntosh

S/ B. J. Earle, Presiding judge as aforesaid in open court.

[p 14 there is a letter dated September 30, 1834 from Salem post office South Carolina to the Commissioner of pensions from William McIntosh inquiring as to the status of his pension certificate which he had returned to the pension office for correction. In this letter he states: "I stated in my Declaration that I served as a Sergeant who draws some little more pay than a private; soon after I entered the service I was appointed a Sergeant and served in that capacity until the end of the warr." The letter bears a strong original signature of William McIntosh.

Wm. McIntosh]

I, John China,² residing in Sumter District Claremont County and state of South Carolina do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with William McIntosh who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration; that we served together in Marion's Brigade. Was with him in Marion's encampment at Doughty Plantation in Santee in the year 1781 and at the encampment at Cantey's on Santee. Was with him at General Greene's encampment near Bacons Bridge in the latter part of the year of 1782 [? written over and the date is hard to decipher]; that he believes the above declaration to be true.

S/ John China Sr.

John China Sr.

Sworn to & subscribed eighth April 1833 before me and I do certify that this deponent is a credible person.

S/ H. Fullwood, J. P.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$83.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private in the South Carolina militia in both the infantry and cavalry.]

² [John China S46593](#)