

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Roberts S9468

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State of South Carolina Sumter District

On this 31st day of October personally appeared before me B. J. Earle one of the judges of the State aforesaid of Common Pleas [sic, Pleas] the court now sitting Robert Roberts a resident of said State and District who being duly sworn according to law in open court 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 as a volunteer under Captain John Armstrong of South Carolina then called Camden District but now part in Sumter & Kershaw on Black River now middle Salem he says he entered about 2 or 3 weeks before Gates defeat above Camden which was the last of July or first of August 1780, and afterwards joined General Marion in Snows Island on the Pedee [River] where Armstrong and Captain John Nelson's Company were put in one company and Nelson had the command our Field Officers were Colonel Richard Richardson and Major John Gambell [sic, John Gamble] and Edward Richardson Adjutant and the State being divided between Generals Sumter and Marion I understood that General Marion's route was from Camden across the Country or State down to Charles Town which was the part of State the [sic, that] he marched through the scouting and combating the British & Tories which was the General usual way of fighting the enemy and that he continued in the service without any intermission until March or April 1782 until the British was pretty well housed and Charles Town he says he never was in any General The battle but was in several combats with Marion to keep the enemy from crossing Santee River and in other parts of our route through the State. He further saith that he was born in State & district aforesaid on the 19th of March 1762 and that he has resided there ever since and is still residing within a few miles of the place where he was born -- and further saith that does hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on any pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

S/ Robt. Roberts

[John Harrington, a clergyman, and Robert Wilson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

We Samuel Huggins & Thomas Wilson<sup>1</sup> of State and District above named Do certify on oath that we are well acquainted with the within named Robert Roberts and do know that he was a soldier of the revolution in General Marion's Brigade and we also served with him.

Sworn to before me 31st of October 1832

S/ Thos Wilson

S/ Samuel Huggins<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [Thomas Wilson S18285](#)

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