

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Jonathan Stone S9488

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State of North Carolina } SS. Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions
Franklin County } September Term 1832

On this 12th day of September in open Court before the Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions for the County of Franklin, now sitting Jonathan Stone a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged Seventy eight 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 under Capt. Henry Macon [probably Harrison Macon] on the 12th day of June 1780 & was appointed an orderly sergeant. we were Commanded when we started by Col Benj Seawell [Benjamin Seawell], Major [Agrippa] Nichols & Major Griffin, we marched from Louisburg to Johnson [sic: Johnston] Court House, from there to the Landing on this side of the [Cape Fear] River at Fayetteville from there we marched to Randolph old Court House, from there we marched towards Cheraw [in South Carolina] from there we marched to Camden, and on the way General [Horatio] Gates took command of the detachment, we were at that time under the commanded of Col. Benj'a. Exum [Benjamin Exum], & had been from Fayetteville. before we reached Camden we were in a Battle with Cornwallies [sic: Cornwallis] & were defeated [Battle of Camden, 16 Aug 1780] and the army to which I was attached was dispersed. & I with many others beat up to Charlotte in North Carolina hearing that we had some officers here. From which place we were sent by Gen'l [Richard] Caswell to Salisbury, from there I came to Ramseys Mill on deep River [in Chatham County] when I received a furlow from Col. Seawell to come home. after remaning at home a short time I joined Col. Seawell near Charlotte, from there we retreated to Salisbury, from there to the Yadkin River near the Island ford where we remaned untill the expiration of my time of Service where I received a discharge from Col. Seawell about the first of october the same year. In the May following, I was called on to perform a tour of three months, under the Command of Cap'n. Bedsong [sic: Batt Birdsong] who was under the Commanded of Col. [Nicholas] Long and was set to Labour at Harrisburg Granville County at a Place selected by the army for the purpose of repairing waggons, shoes of Horses &c where I served within three or four days of my time of Service, when I received a furlow from Capt. Birdsong & returned home and about a year after that time I received a discharge from Co. Seawell which discharges I have lost or mislaid so that I cannot now get them. at the time of entering the service I resided in Franklin County North Carolina where I have resided mainly ever since. and that I can procure no documentary evidence at this time to establish my claim. during my stay in South Carolina we were with Generals Decalp [sic: Baron De Kalb], Col. [Charles] Porterfield, General [Francis] Marion & General [William] Smallwood who belonged to the regular line. 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.

The declarant further states that he was born in the County of Halifax in this State on the 4th day of July 1755 & that he was brought to this County at an early age by his parents where he has lived except for short intervals ever since. He can prove a part of his service by William Jones [pension application S8765], who was in the Battle of Camden with him. His reputation in his neighbourhood as soldier of the Revolution can be sustained by the Rev'd. Thomas Crocker & by James Howze & John D. Hawkins Esq'r.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to any pension or annuity except the present, & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court, the day & year afors'd

