

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jonathan Wall S9569

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State of North Carolina Rutherford County: On this 2nd day of November 1832 personally appeared before me John Mills one of the Judges of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Rutherford County at the dwelling house of Thomas Liles his present residence in said County Jonathan Wall aged 88 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.

He states that at the commencement of the Revolution he lived in Wilkes County North Carolina -- that he was out several short Tours against the Tories the date or length of which he cannot now specify -- he was at these times generally under the command of a Captain Judd. In the month of August as he thinks in 1781 or 1782 he went to Ramsour's in Lincoln County and joined a company of Infantry under the command of Captain Alexander Brevard and from there marched to Bacon's Bridge about twenty miles from Charleston South Carolina -- at the Bridge the Company joined a number of the American troops -- he was in Charleston with the troops that took possession thereof when it was evacuated by the British and was there and on John's Island together about six months -- and was discharged at the ten mile house or spring near Charleston on the 16th of July -- when he entered the service he was drafted -- he was not in any action or battle he has no documentary evidence of his service nor does he know of any person now living by whom he could establish 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.

Interrogatories propounded by the judge to the Applicant

Question 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer -- I was born in Prince Georges County Maryland in the year 1744

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

Answer -- I have none

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

Answer -- I. lived in Wilkes County North Carolina when I entered the service -- I removed from there to South Carolina where I lived near 40 years and lived now in this (Rutherford County)

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 -- I was drafted

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.

Answer -- I was under a Colonel Lytle a part of the time I was in service -- there was also a General Guest in command and I think General Greene was present a part of the time I was in service. I cannot remember any particulars respecting the troops or my term of service further than before stated

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

Answer -- I did receive a discharge at the 10 mile spring from Colonel Lytle -- which discharge I gave to Colonel Lenoir of Wilkes County soon after I received it and have not since seen it

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 -- I name Reverend John Blackwell and John Blackwell Junior and I would further state that from bodily infirmity and having lost my site I am unable to travel and attend at the Court House

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Jno. Mills

S/ Jonathan Wall

[John Blackwell, a clergyman, and John Blackwell Junior gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Rutherford County: Personally appeared before me John Mills a Judge of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County Jonathan Wall who made and swore to the annexed declaration who after being duly sworn according to law has stated in addition to what is contained in his former declaration that all the military service performed by him was as a private soldier. The deponent further saith that from age and infirmity and the consequent loss of memory he is unable to state with precision any things that occurred during the time of his military service while he has a reliable distinct recollection of a few others since he made his former declaration he recollects that a Daniel White of Spartanburg South Carolina has knowledge of a part of his services and that he sent for said White who [text too faint to read] as he understands to write to his present residence [balance of this document is too faint to discern with reliability.]

Personally appeared before me at the house of John Moore in the County aforesaid Daniel White¹ of Spartanburg District South Carolina who being first duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith that in the Revolutionary War he lived in Wilkes County in this State a near neighbor to Jonathan Wall who has made and sworn to the annexed declaration -- and that said Wall was several times out in the service on scouting parties against the Tories but the deponent cannot state the length of time or the date of these services he served one short Tours himself with said Wall under command of Captain Judd -- the deponent further says that he was

¹ This is PROBABLY Daniel White FPA S22046

present when the said Wall was drafted to serve an eighteen months tour of military duty to march to South Carolina the deponent was not present with Wall at any time during the time of this service but knows that he (Wall) was drafted in August and did not return until the following July being as the deponent understood discharged before his period of service expired on account of peace having been made. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th of June 1833.

S/ Jno. Mills

S/ Danl. White, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$27 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 for 8 months 3 days service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]