

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of John McLaughlin W174

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State of Georgia } On this Thirteenth day of August Eighteen Hundred and Thirty-two
Warren County } personally appeared before the Inferior Court of the County of Warren
County, John McLaughlin a resident in the County aforesaid, aged Seventy-Six (January last)
years who first being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following
declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed
June 7, 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1776, under Capt.
Robert Smith and served in the fourth regiment of the Continental line of North Carolina, under
the following named officers. First under Gen'l. [Francis] Nash; Second Capt. McIntosh; Some of
the Colonels under which which I served were, [Thomas] Polk, Maben [probably Robert Mebane],
Faxton & Wm. L. Davidson. After my service under Capt. Smith, I served under several different
officers of the same grade, all of whose names I do not recollect the term of my first service was
Three years and I was discharged in 1779. After this term of service I did not enlist any more,
but served during the War as a Volunteer under Gen'l. Davidson, and several other officers, &
part of my time as a Serg't. under Gen'l. [Griffith] Rutherford. I was in the following Battles. The
first at Sullivans Island [Sullivan Island SC, 28 - 29 Jun 1776], Second at Brandywine [11 Sep
1777], Third at Germantown [4 Oct 1777], 4th at Camden in So. Carolina [16 Aug 1780], in
which last battle I was wounded and taken prisoner, and remained a prisoner until Cornwallis
was taken [19 Oct 1781].

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and
declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

John hisXmark McLaughlin

NOTE:

A roster of the 4th NC Regiment shows that McLaughlin enlisted on 6 May 1776.

On 17 Sep 1856 in Sumter County GA Eleanor Mathis, 61, applied for a pension stating
that she married John McLaughlin on 5 Oct 1825, and he died 16 Feb 1836. He left no children
of his own. With her application is a copy of a licence issued in Warren County GA on 30 Sep
1825 for him to marry "Mrs. Elliner Williams," as well as a record that the marriage took place on
1 Oct 1825. In 1838 his widow married John Mathis, who died 2 May 1855. The file also contains
a letter dated 23 Jul 1872 from A. J. Williams stating that he and his brother, Hiram J. Williams,
were the sons of Eleanor Mathis by her first husband.