Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathan Morgan W18529
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Naomi

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State of North Carolina Rowan County

On this 10th [last digit written over and unclear, could be "11th" or "18th"] day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Superior Court of Law for Rowan County now sitting the same being a Court of Record, Nathan Morgan a Resident of said County aged seventy-six 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 was born in Cecil County in Maryland, that when a boy he removed to Rowan County North Carolina about sixty years ago where he has resided ever since. That he has no record of his age.

That he entered the service of the United States as a volunteer soldier under Captain George Henry Barrier at one Tullenmders [?] house in Rowan County and served about six weeks in Colo. Martin's Regiment. That he was shortly afterwards drafted at said Tullenmders in said County as a Soldier in Captain Barrier's Company in Colonel Francis Locke's Regiment and marched under General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] to the Cherokee Nation and served this tour about four months.

Was again drafted at the same place as a common Soldier Captain John Bullens [? John Bullen's?] company in Colo. F. Locke's Regiment marched under General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] to the neighborhood of Charlotte North Carolina where part of the British troops were then stationed and served three months; got a discharge from Colonel Locke but has lost it. He mentions Philip Miller and Martin Hoffner as being his neighbors now living who are able to testify to his services and character. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State to his knowledge.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid. S/ Henry Giles, CSC S/ Nathan Morgan

¹ William Lee Anderson, III points out: "The event that best fits this testimony is Davidson's return to Charlotte after Cornwallis withdrew on 12 Oct 1780. It is known that about 400 Rowan and Mecklenburg militiamen were called up for a 3-month tour beginning in early Sep 1780. Their tour ended on 5 Dec 1780. Before 25 September, they were at McAlpine Creek. They withdrew to Salisbury, and on 8 Oct, moved forward to Rocky River. On 13–14 Oct, they marched into Charlotte. After 20 Oct, they were posted at Camp New Providence until they were discharged on 5 Dec. There are more details in reports: "Where did Cornwallis's Army invade North Carolina" and "Camp New Providence"."

² Philip **Miller** S7230

³ Martin Hoffner S8727

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We Philip Miller and Martin Hoffner Residing in Rowan County do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Nathan Morgan who has subscribed and sworn to the within declaration, that we believe him to be 76 years of age, that we served with him part of the time he mentions in the revolutionary war, that we have confidence in his integrity and believes that he served as he states.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Henry Giles CSC

S/ Philip Miller

S/ Martin Hoffner

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The foregoing Declaration and certificates having been returned from the office of the Secretary of War with objections; the declarant again appeared before the Junius Sneed a Justice of the peace for Rowan County and being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following explanation to the objections stated by the War Department: That he volunteered in Captain Barrier's company a private militia Soldier for three months in the beginning of the year 1779 as he believes and served six weeks or only half the time. That in the same year he was drafted as a private Soldier, in the same Captain Barrier's company and served all the time of the Cherokee expedition under General Rutherford, which he believes continued fully four months. That some time as he believes in the year 1780 he was drafted as a private and served three months in Captain Bullen's company near Charlotte North Carolina; the whole time of his service being Eight and one half months. That at the time of making this declaration no clergyman acquainted with him could be procured to attend Court; and he was advised that the certificate of two citizens his neighbors nearly of his own age and who served with him part of the time in the Army was better evidence than in your report of character or certificate of reputation; that he had a certificate of discharge from Colonel Francis Locke, but has lost it; and has no documentary evidence whatever of his services.

S/ Nathan Morgan

[attested by Junius Sneed, JP]

[Facts in file: Veteran died October 16, 1842; veteran married in January, 1779 in Rowan County North Carolina Naomi or Naoma or Ana, daughter of Jacob Pool; Naomi was born October 13, 1760; she obtained a widow's pension on her application executed January 6, 1844 while living in Rowan County North Carolina; that their 1st child died, 2nd child, James, was born August 2, 1780; record torn, born December, 1782; Elizabeth born July 16, 1787; record torn, born October, 1789.; Hannah Hill, 76 as of August 20th 1844, a resident of Rowan County, NC, testified in behalf of Naomi Morgan's application for a widows pension, that she Hannah Hill is the sister of Naomi; that she, Hannah, was living with her father Jacob Pool at the time her sister married Nathan Morgan; that said marriage took place in Rowan County in 1778 or 1779; that

she, Hannah, stayed with her sister when her husband, Nathan, was out in the service.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$27.99 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private in the North Carolina militia for 8 months & 12 days. His widow was pensioned in a like amount commencing October 16, 1842.]