

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Casper Stultz W4819

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North Carolina Stokes County:

On the 1st [?] day of September [?] A.D. 1832 personally appeared before John Shumhow [?], William Ward & William Cox the worshipful Justices holding the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Stokes State of North Carolina Casper Stultz Senior a resident of the County of Stokes in the State of North Carolina aged seventy-nine years on the 11th day of December [?] next who being duly sworn in open Court 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 7th 1832. He states that he was born in the State of Pennsylvania he believes in the County of Northampton on the 11th of December [?] 1753 according to the record or register of his name which he has often seen in the family Bible now in possession of his brother-in-law Samuel Stroup [sic, Samuel Strupe] that when just a boy he accompanied his parents who removed from Pittsylvania to Surry County now Stokes North Carolina that while living in said County of Surry now Stokes in the month of February in the year 1775 as well as he now recollects he volunteered in the militia service for a tour of three months under Captain Henry Smith of the Surry militia under the command of Colonel Martin Armstrong that he marched to Fayetteville then called Cross Creek in said State of North Carolina where they were joined by several other companies of militia who were taken command of by Colonel Alexander Martin Colonel Armstrong of the Surry militia not having gone into service in this expedition the object of this march was to suppress the Tories or Scotch who had joined the enemy in that part of the State, that in about two months from the commencement of the service he was with the rest of the troops discharged by discharge of the officers but he received no written evidence thereof. That sometime in the summer of the year 1776 he again entered the militia service as a volunteer for a tour of six months under the aforesaid Captain Henry Smith in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Williams in the brigade under General Christie [sic, William Christian] that this expedition was against the hostile Cherokee Indians that they marched into the nation and destroyed the Chilhowee Town of said hostile Cherokees. That the Indians having retired before our troops, he was in common with the whole force discharged after the destruction of said town and he received no evidence thereof in writing. That in this expedition he was engaged in served in or about six months but is unable to state the precise length of time.

That in the year 1777 or 1778 which he cannot now recollect he with about fifty others were pressed into the service under Captain Pleasant Henderson to go as a guard to the Commissioners employed to run the line between North Carolina and Kentucky or Virginia which he cannot recollect that the force was under the command of Colonels Joseph Williams &

Richard Henderson whose duty deponent also believes appertain to the running of said line. That in the expedition he acted as a wagoner conveying baggage & provisions for the Commissioners and troops. The necessity of the guard or military was owing to the hostile character of the Indians in that part of the Country. That he went as far as Carter's Valley in NC now Tennessee when owing to the extreme roughness of the country he was unable to proceed further with his wagon where he was discharged from the service and returned home. He thinks that he was engaged in this service for about two months – no written discharge was given him:

This applicant further states that he has no other testimony or evidence of his service but the accompanying affidavits of Frederick Binkey¹ & Samuel Strupe that John Butner and William A. Lash and many of his other neighbors can testify to his character for veracity & their belief in his having served in the revolution.

That at the time of his performing the [indecipherable word] of duty as herein before set forth he resided in the County of Sury [sic, Surry] NC now formed into the County of Stokes that ever since and at this time he lives in said County of Stokes formerly Surry.

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 any State whatever.

Sworn to in open Court the day & year above stated.

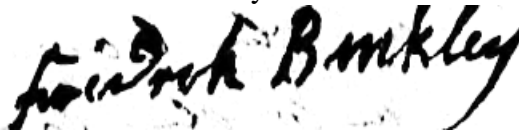
S/ Jno. Hill, CCC

S/ Casper Stultz, Senior, X his mark

Frederick Binkly or Penekly maketh oath that he was in the revolutionary service as a militia man and he well recollects that Casper Stultz Senior who has made the foregoing declaration was with him under Captain Henry Smith in the expedition against the Tories at Cross Creek or Fayetteville & against the Cherokee Indians in the then the Western part of North Carolina now Tennessee and that he well recollects that said Stultz served for the length of time and in the manner stated by him. He was not in company with said Stokes on his expedition with the troops that accompanied the Commissioners in running the line between North Carolina and Virginia or Kentucky but doubts not that said Stultz has stated the same correctly. That ever since the revolutionary war he has been acquainted well with Stultz who with deponent has continued to live in said County of Stokes then Surry that he is reputed & generally esteemed to be a man of veracity and by his neighbors believed to have been a soldier in the revolution. Sworn to in open court the day & year above.

S/ Jno. Hill, CCC

S/ Frederick Binkley



[John Butner and William A. Lash gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Bethania Stokes County North Carolina September 7th A.D. 1832

Samuel Strupe² Senior being aged 75 years July 19th the last and infirm so that he is unable to attend at Court maketh affidavit of the services of Casper Stultz Senior having been acquainted

¹ [Fridrik Binkey \(Binkley\) W4898](#)

² [Samuel Strupe W9671](#)

with the said Casper Stultz for many years say all his lifetime and that he always resided in the same neighbor [neighborhood] and considered as an honest man and that he has known him to be totally blind for at least fifteen years and has been unable to do any Labor for near twenty years –

That to his knowledge he entered the State troops commonly called the Scotch expedition under Captain Henry Smith who served under Colonel Alexander Martin believes it to have been in the year A.D. 1775 as a private was called out for a three months tour but believes that they were all discharged in about two months –

That he entered the service again as a private on the six months tour called the Cherokee expedition under Captain Smith & Colonel Jos. Williams under General Christy in the State troops and that he served at the six months to his knowledge as he the said Strupe served with him the said Casper Stultz Senior in this expedition skirmishing many of their towns on the Tennessee River & which took place in the year A.D. 1776 from June to Christmas say six months.

That the said Stultz again entered as a private under Captain Pleasant Henderson & under Colonel Richard Henderson on a Tour up upwards of two months and perhaps upwards of three months were stationed at Carter's Valley and from thence to march the line between Virginia and Kentucky Colonel Jos. Williams commanded the North Carolina troops – which took place in the year A.D. 1778 him the said Strupe served with this expedition also.

That the said Stultz went on to South Carolina with flour for the Army of Regulars under Colonel Borsky [?] or some such name of the Maryland line was pressed with a four horse team and retained in service about 1 1/2 months – at the time of Gates defeat in the South. That in January 1781 to his knowledge the said Casper Stultz stood as guard over the Prisoners taken at the Cowpens and guarded at Bethabara in Stokes County also he guarded the Prisoners taken at Kings Mountain supposed to have been near 2 months. That he said said Casper Stultz guarded the United States magazine at Salem North Carolina and aided in conveying the same to Henry Court House in Virginia commanded by the Conductor of the Magazine supposed to have amounted at least 2 months in the year A.D. 1781 –

That during the War to his knowledge the said Casper Stultz was called out at different & diver times into service to suppress the Tories who were at times very troublesome by Captain Henry Smith who was Captain for the South in and of Stokes County amounting to something like a month.

Further states that he believes him the said Casper Stultz to be aged 79 years December 11th A.D. 1832.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this date 1st written.

Test: S/ W. A. Lash, JP

S/ Saml. Strupe, Senr, X his mark

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State of North Carolina Stokes County: On the 21st day of December A.D. 1832, personally appeared before me the undersigned, a Justice of the peace, in and for the County, Casper Stoltz [sic], Senior, who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory for two months in the Expedition against the Tories at Cross Creek or Fayetteville I served as a private: For six months, in the Expedition against the Hostile Cherokee Indians, I served as a private; For two months along with the Commissioners to run the line between North Carolina and Virginia or Kentucky, in which expedition I acted as a Waggoner; For two months I acted as private to guard the Prisoners that were taken at the Battles of the

Cowpens and Kings Mountain, in Bethabara Stokes County, and for which service I claim a pension.

S/ Casper Stultz, Senior, X his mark

[p 23: Christian Jacobsen, a clergyman, gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 3: on March 1st, 1838 in Stokes County North Carolina Mrs. Anna M Stultz, 77 on the 14th day of February last, made application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Casper Stultz; that she married him September 18, 1780; that they were married by Michael Hauser Senior, JP, in Bethany Surry County North Carolina; that her husband died February 6, 1834; and that she remains his widow.]

State of North Carolina County of Stokes: SS

On this 5th day of January 1839 personally appeared before me Charles Banner one of the Justices of the peace for the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid Anna Margaret Stultz widow of the late Casper Stultz Deceased aged seventy-seven years in February 1838 & she being first sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following amendatory declaration to a former one which was transmitted to the Pension Department of the United States in March 1838 in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 4th of July 1836 making provision for widows of officers & soldiers of the Revolutionary War, in which declaration she made proof of her marriage to said Casper Stultz deceased & and of his being a Pensioner of the United States & refer to the pension Department to her husband's Declaration & papers: by which he obtained a pension under the Act of 7th of June 1832. The answer being returned through the Honorable A. H. Shepperd from the War Department, that the husband C. Stultz had not mentioned in his Declaration of performing any Services as a soldier after his marriage with this applicant – explanatory to this state of the matter, the said widow declares that her husband frequently mentioned to her & others that he had a right to claim for many small tours of duty which he performed in companies routing Tories, but could not exactly recollect them all: & did not mentioned them in his Declaration as it was done in a hurry when he could not call to mind every service he had actually performed, She further more declares, that after their marriage, Major Henry Smith (she calls him) ordered out a company of men to go after a set of Tories into the Douthat Settlements near the mouth of Muddy Creek where it empties into the Yadkin River & he told her when he returned and about ten days that the Tories had fled & crossed over the River into the forks of the Yadkin into Rowan County. This route was closed shortly after they were married which she knows very well (as I write her own language) but she does not know at this time of any person that she can prove it by = another small Tour he performed she believes in January 1781, he went as one of the soldiers to guard the power wagons from Salem to Virginia she believes to Henry County & was gone about 3 weeks at least & thinks one of the Banners was along in said route & Jo. Houser & her Brother George Houser, dec'd. This applicant declares that her & her husband's children are as follows which appears on the annexed certificate of the Reverend Julius T Beckler, Sworn & subscribed the day and year 1st above written before me.

S/ C. Banner, JP

S/ Anna M Stultz, X her mark

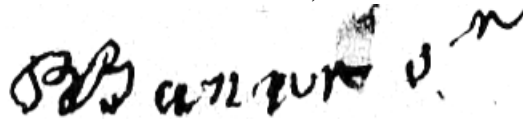
Benjamin Banner Senior³ a Pensioner of the United States & credible person for truth being

³ [Benjamin Banner S6562](#)

sworn according to law declares on his oath that he drove a wagon loaded with ammunition & guns for the use of the United States Army from Salem (then in Surry County North Carolina) to Henry Court house in Virginia, and that the above named Casper Stultz went as one of the guard to Henry Court house aforesaid in January 1781. Sworn & subscribed at his own house in the County of Stokes North Carolina this 7th day of January 1839 before me & interlineations made before signed

S/ C. banner, JP

S/ B. Banner, Sr.



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A list of the names and ages of the Children of Casper Stultz and his wife Anna Margaret which were christened in the Moravian church as appears by the records of said Church in the Village of Bethania in Stokes County North Carolina (to wit)

John Henry born the 11th of July 1782

Margaret born the 14th of January 1784

Joanna Gertrude born the 11th of October 1785

Solomon born just 27th of December 1787

Mary Eliza born 12th of February 1790

Benjamin born 20th of October 1792

Mary born 20th of June 1795

Thomas born 23rd of October 1797

Samuel born 8th of June 1800

Susanna born the 13th of April 1803

This is to certify that the above is a faithful & correct copy of the Church Register –

Witness my hand and seal 4th January 1839

S/ Julius T. Beckler

Pastor of the Moravian Society at

Bethania Stokes County North Carolina

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North Carolina, Stokes County: SS

Be it known that on this 8th day of January 1839 before me a Justice of the peace for said County personally appeared Joseph Hauser in Bethania in said County: who is a Credible person as to veracity & truth, and being sworn according to law declares on his oath that Casper Stultz above named went as one of the guard of Tourage wagons, one of which this deponent drove, from the old Moravian Town in the fall of the year 1780 down into a Tory settlement called the Douthat & Markland [?] neighborhood near the Yadkin River & mouth of Muddy Creek & there we loaded 5 or 6 wagons in a field with corn & returned to the old town for the use of the Army with the prisoners stationed at said Town, that was taken at the Battle of Kings Mountain we were only gone 2 days on this business & said Stultz also guarded the prisoners he does not know how long –

And afterwards said Casper Stultz furnished workhorses in January 1781 put in a wagon this Deponent drove loaded with guns, lead & powder (for the use of the United States Army)

from Salem (then in Surry now Stokes County) to Henry Courthouse in Virginia when said Stultz went as one of the guard commanded by Lieutenant Jones 24 days to Bethania he returned with this Deponent. Sworn & subscribed the date 1st above written before me

S/ C. Banner

S/ Joseph Houser, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia. Veteran's widow was pensioned for a similar amount commencing March 4th, 1836.]