

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Daniel Ball W5768

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State of North Carolina Buncombe County: I do hereby nominate & appoint Nehemiah Blackstock of said County my lawful agent, to transact the business of my Pension which is now or may hereafter be due to me, witness my hand & seal this 18th of October 1832

Test: S/ Gehare R. Ball

S/ Dan Ball (seal)

State of North Carolina, Buncombe County

Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions Oct. 1832

On this 17th of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court, Daniel Ball, before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions for the County of Buncombe now sitting, a resident of this County of Buncombe aforesaid, aged sixty nine 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 the following named officers, and served as herein stated: That he entered the service of the United States some time in the month of December 1779 being drafted in the militia in the County of Franklin N. Carolina under Captain Richard Ransom under the command of Alexander Lillington [John Alexander Lillington], Brigadier General: that he marched from thence to Charleston South Carolina where he remained until the 10th of March 1780 when he was discharged being in bad health, which discharge was signed by Genl. Alexander Lillington and is herewith

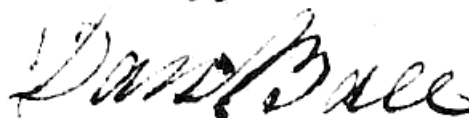
transmitted. That he entered the service again as a volunteer in the County of Franklin N. Carolina some time in the month of June or July 1780 under Captain Harrison Macon in the Regiment commanded by Col. William Brickell. That he marched into South Carolina where they Joined the Army under General Gates [Horatio Gates] and was in the Battle at Camden [Gates Defeat, August 15-16, 1780]. After that defeat the army was dispersed and this affiant went to Hillsborough in North Carolina where he obtained a furlough for a short time, and went home, that he Joined the Army again in a short time and was discharged on the 21st of October 1780 by Col. William Brickell, which discharge is herewith enclosed. That he entered the service again as a volunteer some time in the month of May 1781 in the County of Caswell N. Carolina in the Company commanded by Captain Shadrack Hargis [Shadrach Hargis]; that he marched to the town of Hillsborough where he remained where he remained until the 17th August 1781 when he was discharged, which discharge was signed by Captain Shadrack Hargis and is herewith transmitted. That he served two months afterwards under Captain Frederick Debo [Frederick Debow] by whom he was discharged at Hillsboro on the 20th of April 1782. 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.

Sworn to & subscribed the Day & year afforesaid [sic].

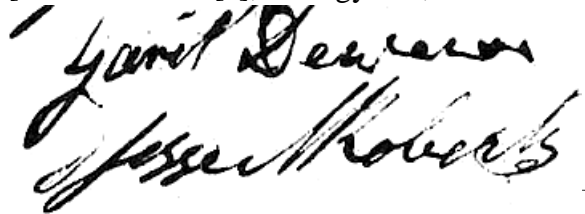
Test: S/ John Miller, Clerk

By: S/ N. W. Woodford, D. C.

S/ Dan Ball



[Garit Dewesse [?], a clergyman, and Jesse Roberts gave the standard supporting affidavit.



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Additional Declaration of Daniel Ball a revolutionary soldier, & resident of the County of Buncombe North Carolina

State of North Carolina Buncombe County

On the 1st Day of June 1833 personally appeared Daniel Ball before (Henry Hunt & Nehemiah Blackstock to acting Justices of the peace in & for the County aforesaid) who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein Stated, That he entered the service of the United States about the 10th or 11th of December 1779 as a private soldier being drafted in the militia in the County of Franklin North Carolina under Captain Richard Ransom, under the command of Alexander Lillington Brigadier General, that he marched from thence to Charleston South Carolina, where he remained until the 10th of March 1780 when he was discharged by reason of his health, as it was certified by J Blyth, Surgeons, that he would not be fit for service before

the 6th of April at which time the troops was to be discharged, which Discharge was signed by Alexander Lillington Brigadier General, and is herewith enclosed having served in the aforesaid Tour just three months but did not make home until the 13th day of May 1780 by reason of sickness –

That he entered the service again as a volunteer in the County of Franklin North Carolina he believes the 10th or 11th of July 1780 under Captain Harrison Macon as a private soldier in the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Brickell, Lt. Col. of volunteers & Halifax militia that he marched to South Carolina where they joined the Army under General Gates & was in the Battle at Camden where the Army was Defeated, & most of them Dispersed, & he went to Hillsborough & obtained a furlough for a short time & went home (which was a short Distance) that he joined the Army again in a few days at Hillsboro where he was Discharged on the 21st of October 1780 by Colonel William Brickell having performed his tour of Duty which was three months & 10 days which Discharge is herewith transmitted. That he entered the service again as a volunteer in the County of Caswell North Carolina under the command of Captain Shadrach Hargis, about the 17th of May 1781 that he marched to Hillsboro North Carolina & was there stationed to guard the military stores when he was appointed a Sergeant of the company aforesaid and was discharged at that place on the 27th of August 1781 by Captain Shadrach Hargis, having served three months which Discharge is here with enclosed. That he reentered the service again as a volunteer in the County of Caswell in Captain Fred Debow's Company of Caswell Militia as orderly Sergeant in said company & marched to Hillsboro North Carolina where he was discharged by Captain F. Debow on account of peace being ratified having served two months which Discharge is dated the 20th of April 1782 & is here with transmitted, he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the first day of June 1833

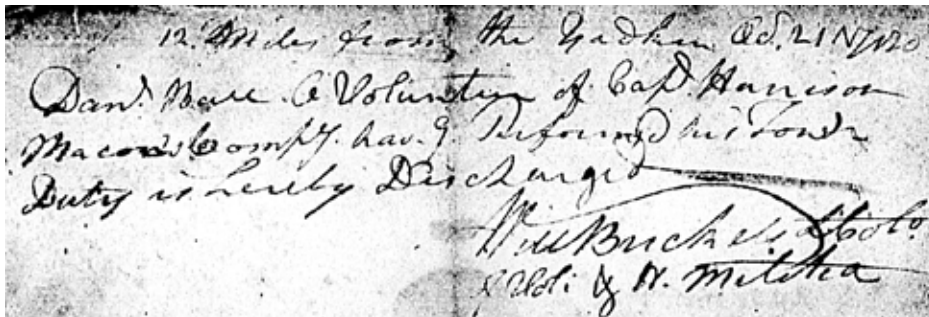
S/ Danl. Ball

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12 Miles from the Yadkin Oct. 21 1780

Dan'l Ball A Volunteer of Captain Harrison Macon's Company hav'g Performed his Tower [Tour] [of] Duty is hereby Discharged.

S/ Wm Brickell, Lt. Colo.
of Vol. & N. Militia

A handwritten document on aged paper, likely a discharge certificate. The text is written in cursive and reads: "12 Miles from the Yadkin Oct. 21 1780 Dan'l Ball A Volunteer of Cap. Harrison Macon's Company hav'g Performed his Tower Duty is hereby Discharged". The signature "Wm Brickell Lt. Colo." is written below the main text, followed by "of Vol. & N. Militia". There is a large, dark ink smudge or scribble over the bottom right portion of the document.

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Charles Town March 10th, 1780

Daniel Ball, and Francis Newby [could be Francis Newly] have been very sick, and are now recovering; but I believe they will not be fit for Duty before the 6th of April.

S/ [illegible signature, possibly "Smith" is surname]

The above Soldier is Discharged from my Brigade [?]

S/ Alex Lillington, B. G.

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Hillsboro April the 20th 1782

This may Certify that Daniel Ball hath served two months In the Caswell Militia in my Company

S/ Fred. Debow Capt.

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Camp Hillsborough Augt. 27th 1781

This is to Certify that Daniel Ball hath faithfully Served his tower of Duty in the Militia at hilsborough & is hereby Clearly Discharged. Given under my hand.

S/ Shadrach Hargis, Capt.

Camp Hillsborough Aug 27th 1781
This is to Certify that Daniel Ball hath faithfully
Served his Country in the Militia at Hillsborough
and is hereby clearly Discharged Given under my
Hand
Alexander Hume

[p 10: On October 4, 1845 in Buncombe County North Carolina, Ann Ball, 85, filed for a widow's pension under the 1844 act stating that she is the widow of Daniel Ball, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$40 per annum; that she married him sometime in the month of June 1788 in Granville County North Carolina; that her husband died September 29, 1844; that she remains his widow; that she prove her marriage by her original family register in the hand writing of her husband. She signed her declaration with her mark.]

[p 14: family record:

"Daniel Ball was [paper damaged and text illegible] the year of our Lord 1763 and the 17th day of August and was married the 12th day of June in the year 1788"

[p 13: Power of attorney dated August 24, 1854 filed in Buncombe County North Carolina by Hammoleketh Blackstock¹ who states she is the daughter of Daniel and Ann Ball, both deceased. In this document she authorizes her attorney to seek the increased pension due her parents based on her father's service in the revolution.

Hammoleketh Blackstock]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private & Sergeant in the North Carolina militia for 11 months. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]
