

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Stubbs W6188

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South Carolina Marlborough District: Common Pleas Spring Term 1833

On this the 12th day of March personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting, William Stubbs, residing in the District in State aforesaid 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 the District & State aforesaid on the 22nd day of December 1748. – That his age was recorded on a paper which is now in the possession of one Peter Hubbard in the State of Tennessee. When he entered the Service, he was living where he lives at present & where he has lived ever since the Revolutionary War. He was drafted in the militia Service at or about the commencement of the War & served under Captain Connor for one month. In this time he marched down to Charleston South Carolina under the Direction of Colonel Kolb. – During this time nothing particularly worthy of observation occurred: when the months had expired he returned to Marlborough & shortly afterwards was drafted again in served under Captain Council for four months: in which time he was again sent to Charleston South Carolina. He was there stationed on Haddrell's Point – his Service was as common among the militia at that day on one month at a time. In this manner he served four months altogether with Captain Council. During this time he was present at the taking of the Scotch Fort¹ on Santee River South Carolina General Marion being the highest officer. The Fort was taken by the Americans, it being defended by the British & Tories. There were but few killed on either side. Deponent does not recollect who commanded the British & Tories. He was drafted again Colonel Kolb being the Commanding Officer, under him, he fought the Tories on Little Pedee [River]. The fight continued 2 or 3 hours. At that time there were no regular engagements. The fighting was altogether of the skirmishing kind – the militia being used chiefly to prevent the depredations committed by the Tories on private property & lives of individuals not engaged in the war. The Deponent recollects no other engagements worthy of being mentioned & his very advanced age prevents him from being more minute in his details of events than he has been. He estimates the time of his Service altogether at twelve months. He believes he was out longer but cannot say 3 swear to it. William Easterling was a neighbor of the Deponent & although he did not serve with him he knows of Deponent's going out during the war as it was spoken of at that time & can testify to it. He is known to James C Thomas, R B Campbell, John Campbell who will testify as to his character for veracity & the general belief that he served as a revolutionary Soldier in the manner which he has stated in his Declaration. He hereby relinquishes all claim to any other pension except the present and

¹ This is probably a reference to the taking of Fort Watson, April 15-23, 1781 <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/watson.htm> and http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_fort_watson_2.html

declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any State.

Sworn to in open Court March 13, 1833

S/ James C. Thomas, CCCPIs

S/ William Stubbs, X his mark

William Easterling² also appeared who on oath said he was a neighbor of the moment William Stubbs during the Revolutionary War – that he went out at different times & was said & generally believed to have gone out in the militia Service, & that he the said Easterling believes the facts stated in the said Stubbs' declaration are true as they are set forth.

Sworn to in open court March 13, 1833



[Charles McRae, a clergyman, & James C Thomas gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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South Carolina Marlborough District

William Stubbs appeared before me and on oath saith that he served as a private in the Revolutionary war, under the Officers and at the times and places below mentioned.

That said these facts he Swears under all the disadvantages which arise from extreme old age and want of education, being able neither to read or write. He commences by saying generally that he served in the militia from the commencement of the war in 1795 [sic, 1775] to its close in 1783 in the manner already stated in his declaration (marked [illegible]). He then narrows his declaration to the following periods that he may not claim more than that to which he is justly entitled.

In the year 1776 – he served one month under Captain Connor as stated in his Declaration

(A)

In the year 1777 four months under Captain Council as in Declaration (marked B)

In the year 1778 four months at Charleston under Captain John Stackhouse, Tristan Thomas, Moses Pearson and Daniel Sparks.

In the year 1779 four months under the same Officers – engaged in marching within the limits of the State, sometimes in Marion District & on Santee River & whenever the exigencies of the times might require the presence of the militia

In the year 1780 four months under the same officers & employed in the same manner.

Sometime in the year 1781 he employed a substitute to serve sixteen months in the regular Army, which cleared Deponent from further duty in the militia Service. This proposition was made to the people generally & deponent among others accepted of it. Before the sixteen months for which he had employed a substitute had expired, there was no further use for his service. He therefore swears positively that he served as a volunteer Soldier seventeen months for which he claims a pension. He further swears that during the whole of this time he served with an embodied Corps called into service as he believes by competent authority, that he was either in the field or in Garrison & for the time during which the service was performed he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 8th day of August 1833

S/ Robertson Bristow, magistrate

S/ William Stubbs Senior, X his mark

² [William Easterling \(Esterling\) R14028](#)

[fn p. 46: the veteran filed yet another declaration, this one dated January 22, 1834, in which it appears that he sets forth his services once again substantially as set forth in his first 2 declarations. This document, however, is very faint and places and completely illegible in places so I have not attempted to transcribe it.]

[fn p. 8: On March 14th, 1854 in Marlborough District South Carolina, Ann F. Stubbs, 78 [could be 75] filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of William Stubbs a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him in 1830 sometime about the first of the fall or last of the Summer; that they were married by Campbell Stubbs, a Baptist Minister in Marlborough State of South Carolina; that her name prior to her marriage was Ann F. McDaniel; that her husband died at his residence in Marlborough District in the month of June 1839; and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 50: On July 9, 1866 in Marlborough District South Carolina, the widow applied for the restoration of her pension benefit. At that time she's was living with her son John W Stubbs in Marlborough district South Carolina.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$56.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 17 months service as a private in the South Carolina militia.]