

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Michael Cline W6675

Fanny

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

On this 30th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court of Lincoln County now sitting Michael Cline a resident of County and State aforesaid aged 71 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. He ~~entered the~~ service in October 1778 under the command of General Rutherford, Colonel Locke, Captain Taylor, Lieutenant Richardson marched from Charlotte North Carolina in November 1778 towards Charleston South Carolina and ceased march within 10 miles of Charleston, when they received an express that Savannah was taken by the British, he marched with the troops towards Savannah and was stationed near Purrysburg on these Savannah River moved up and down the River to keep the British from crossing – was near General Ashe's defeat, heard the guns was in the neighborhood of the Continental troops under General Lincoln but never joined them – he was drafted – marched through part of North and South Carolina, left service about the first of April 1779.

Entered service as a volunteer horseman under Colonel Brevard marched through Mecklenburg North Carolina to General Greene's Camps in September 1780 on the march met Colonel Washington and troops coming from towards Virginia, left second service in December of same year did not get a discharge in consequence of his commander taking sick and dying.

Entered service of the third time in the middle of August 1781 under Captain Davidson who afterwards resigned and Captain Tabor took command at the conclusion of this service was placed on a frontier station went beyond the Blue Ridge on scouting parties against the Cherokees received a discharge from Captain Tabor November 13 1781 as will appear by reference to the discharge annexed. He has no documentary evidence save what is exhibited, will prove the first service by Adam Reep¹ and Casper Bolick,² the second & third by Jacob Cline.

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.

¹ [Adam Reep W4779](#)

² [Casper \(Caspar\) Bolich \(Bolch\) W18566](#)

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in Cabarrus County North Carolina 1761

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans. I have a record of my age in my father's family Bible

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Ans. I was living in Burke County North Carolina which is now taken in Lincoln County and have been living there ever since

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans. Volunteered in the second and drafted in the first and third

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans. I saw on my first service on the Savannah River General Lincoln and troops on my second service salt Colonel Washington and horsemen

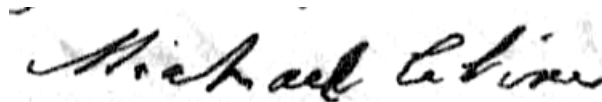
6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans. I have never received one as I recollect except the annexed discharge for my last service.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans. John Wilfong & John Fritchey

S/ Michael Cline

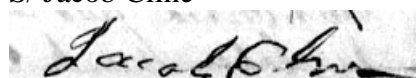


[John G. Fritchey, a clergyman, and John Wilfong gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Jacob Cline swears that he knows of his brother entering the service for three months under Colonel Brevard and three months for the purpose of marching against the Cherokees

S/ Jacob Cline



Casper Bolick swears that he was a messmate of Michael Cline and knows of the service of said Cline in a five months service through part of North Carolina into South Carolina within 10 miles of Charleston from thence to Savannah River, his was the messmate and knows well of his service.

S/ Casper Bolick, X his mark

Adam Reep swears that he knows of Michael Cline's services in a five months tour in 1778 marched from Charlotte North Carolina to within 10 miles of Charleston South Carolina from there a received an express that the British had taken Savannah they then marched to Petersburg and was stationed up and down the River – he knows of his service in the Army –

S/ Adam Reep

Adm Reep

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S/ William Tabor Capt

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[fn p. 9: on March 3, 1840, in Lincoln County North Carolina, Fanny Cline, 75 filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Michael Cline, a pensioner of the revolution; that she married him June 27, 1785; that they were married by the Reverend Godfred Arends a Lutheran clergyman; that her husband died in Lincoln County January 9, 1840.] [Jacob Cline, brother of Michael Cline, gave a supporting affidavit. In his affidavit he states that the widow whose maiden name was Elizabeth Killian. He says the minister performing the marriage was Godfrey Arend]

[facts in file: the widow was the daughter of Leonard Killian; there are children referred to in the file but no names are given; in 1849, the widow was living in Catawba County North Carolina.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$35.21 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months & two days service as a private in the infantry & cavalry in the North Carolina militia.