

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Josiah Carter W8187

Mary

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North Carolina Cumberland County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions December Term 1832

On this sixth day of December A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of said Court now sitting Josiah Carter Senior a resident of Sampson County State aforesaid who says he was [born] in Halifax County in this State in the month of August 1762 & was brought to Bladen County in this State when I was quite small & who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States in the month of December in the year 1778 or 1779 under the following officers & served as herein stated viz. He entered the service as a substitute *for Philip Underwood in Captain Joseph Woods Company James Jones [?] Lieutenant & Samuel Porter Ensign this took place in the County of Bladen & was for a tour of six months he was marched to the Town of Elizabeth in said County where the troops rendezvoused under General Ashe [John Ashe] was marched thence to South Carolina in the direction of Charleston from thence we were marched to Augusta Georgia from thence to Brier Creek where we had an engagement with the British troops & were defeated. We retreated into South Carolina to a place called the White House were marched thence into North Carolina where after the six months were out we were discharged in the neighborhood of Elizabethtown. This was in the month of June or July. He was afterwards drafted for a tour of three months into Captain John Yeates company in Bladen County of which company Jesse Peacock was Lieutenant & \_\_ Russ Ensign. Was marched to South Carolina under Colonel Caswell for the purpose of relieving Charleston which was then besieged by the British before we got to Charleston.*<sup>1</sup> We received news that it was taken we were then marched to a place called Pine Tree near Camden after remaining there a short time & were marched back into North Carolina to Cross Creek now Fayetteville where after our time was out we were discharged. He afterwards served a tour of one month as a volunteer Horse man under Colonel James Richardson of Bladen. This was service was devoted to scouring the country on the line between this State & South Carolina.

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.

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<sup>1</sup> The text shown in italics was taken from the digital image is posted on HeritageQuest.com. For some reason, this tax is not shown on the digital image is posted at Footnote.com.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first aforesaid.

Test: S/ D. McDiarmid, Clk

S/ Josiah Carter, Senr., X his mark

The following Answers were returned to the Interrogatories prescribed by the Were Department

1<sup>st</sup> I have already answered it in my declaration

2<sup>nd</sup> I have no record of my age

3<sup>rd</sup> I was born in Bladen & now reside in Sampson County in this State.

4<sup>th</sup> I have already answered this Question in my declaration

5<sup>th</sup> In addition to the officers named I recollect that Colonels Alston & Caswell were with General – in South Carolina & Georgia, there was a Major Molton in our Regiment.

6<sup>th</sup> I received discharges from all my services but they were destroyed with other of my papers by the mice

7<sup>th</sup> I would refer to Allen Hall Esquire Jeremiah Simmons & Saunders Simmons

[Allen Hall and Jeremiah Simmons gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of North Carolina Cumberland County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions March Term 1833

On this fourth day of March A.D. 1833 Josiah Carver personally appeared in open Court the court aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following Declaration in addition to the Declaration made by him at the last Term of this Court in order to entitle him to the benefit of the Act of Congress passed 7th of June 1832. That the reason why he filed his declaration in the Court of this County & not his own was that he expected to be able to get the benefit of the testimony of some of the old soldiers particularly that of Captain William Lord formerly of this County, but on his arrival here he found that Captain Lord was dead. Court being in session he did not think it would make any difference whether he filed it in this County or his him & he was likewise prompted to make it here as the court in his County was then out & would delay his application three months. That as to the time of his entering the service the first time it was he believes in the month of December 1778 for a term of six months & served at that time out, in the following winter he again entered the service being drafted for three months & served out that tour & was discharged. This he believes was in the spring of 1779. He again entered the service & served one month this was in the fall of the same year. He further declares that there is none of the soldiers who were in service with him who are now surviving to his knowledge except Zachariah Reeves<sup>2</sup> whose affidavit he has now made for the inspection of the Court & who was with the Declarant during the tour of three months service. And he further declares that there is no clergyman known to him to and he might apply for the his affidavit. He further declares that he is confident that he served 10 months for which he claims a pension.

S/ Josiah Carter, C his mark

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State of North Carolina Cumberland County

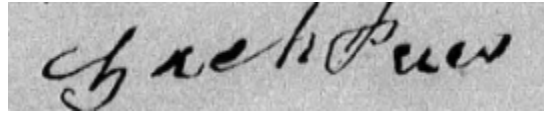
This day Zachariah Reeves personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the Peace in & for said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say that he is well acquainted with Josiah Carter of Sampson County, that he became acquainted with

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<sup>2</sup> [Zachariah Reaves S41973](#)

said Carter during the Revolutionary War, that this was in the service they both being under General W. Caswell & that they served together three months. That this affiant is 72 years of age.

S/ Zach Reev

A rectangular area containing a handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Zach Reev".

[fn p. 9: on May 22, 1855 in Sampson County North Carolina, Mary Carter, 60, late of Sampson County but now recently removed to Duplin County file for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Josiah Carter a pensioner at the rate of \$33.33 per annum for his service in the revolution; that she married him about the year 1832; that her husband died about June 1835; and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 14: On May 22, 1855 in Sampson County North Carolina, Mary Carter, 60, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of Josiah Carter; that she married her husband in Sampson County in the year 1832; that they were married by John Fowler a justice of the peace; and that her name was Mary Buck prior to her marriage to Josiah Carter.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 10 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]