

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nothey (Notley) Thomas W9517 Temperance Thomas f25SC
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State of Tennessee Hawkins County:

On this 25th day of November 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions for said County -- & State, now sitting, Notley Thomas a Resident of the County aforesaid in said State aged eighty 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 in the month of May as well as he now remembers in the year 1778 -- he was drafted in the State of South Carolina, under Captain Dugan [sic, Thomas Duggin] within about 35 miles of Ninety Six, where deponent then resided - - and was marched from his residence on the Saluda River (he thinks the latter part of May, say the 20th in the year 1778 -- under said Dugan into the State of Georgia, to a place called Spirit Creek where declarant's company joined the Regiment commanded by Colonel McCreery [probably Lt. Col. Robert McCreery] -- who was under the command of General Williamson [Andrew Williamson], & from Spirit Creek they were marched to St. Mary's River -- near the mouth of said River, and after being stationed there some time, this declarant was discharged in the latter part of August 1778¹ -- (being 3 months) he received his discharge in Augusta Georgia signed by Captain Dugan & General Williamson, but said discharge has been long since lost. That shortly after this declarant reached home -- his brother Joseph Thomas was drafted, near Ninety Six in South Carolina -- and this declarant took his place as a Substitute, and was again marched under the command of Captain James Maddelton [sic, James Middleton] from Saluda River, within 35 miles of Ninety Six, about the last of September or first of October in the year 1778 -- and was marched to the mouth of Little Broad River, emptying into the Savannah River, & from thence to the Oconee River, & from thence were marched on towards the ocmulgee [sic, Okmulgee River] against the Indians, but General Williamson, having given up the pursuit of the Indians, by reason of the many obstacles that opposed him -- the troops being militia, did not reach the Okmulgee when General Williamson, marched back to Little Broad River, which they reached about the last part of December 1778 or first of January 1779 -- and this declarant was there with others discharged by said General Williamson which discharge has been lost or mislaid -- having served other [sic, over?] 3 months that campaign.

Again in the summer of 1779 this declarant volunteered under Captain Duggin, and was

¹ Third Florida expedition: Spring 1778 <http://www.ourgeorgiahistory.com/wars/Revolution/revolution12.html>

marched by said Captain Duggin from his residence on the Saluda River, about the first of June in that year, to Reedy River near where it empties into Saluda River -- and said company was stationed at a place near the Golden Grove in the Cherokee nation, to guard the frontier against the incursions of the Indians, and this declarant remained there with his company until about the first of September 1779 -- when he was discharged by Captain Duggin -- & returned home, but said discharge has also been lost or mislaid, having served other 3 months.

Again in the winter of 1780 he served another campaign -- under Captain Kilgore [Benjamin Kilgore] and was marched under Captain Kilgore as a volunteer from his residence on the Saluda to Augusta in Georgia where he came under the command of Colonel Pickens [Andrew Pickens], who commanded a Regiment of mounted men -- this declarant being also mounted, that declarant left from under Captain Kilgore about the first of November 1780 -- and from Augusta was marched to Beach Island about 8 miles below Augusta, where the troops under Pickens halted some time and from thence was marched on a scouting party under Pickens to Edisto [River] and thence returned to Beach Island and again was marched from Beach Island to a place near Egeechee [sic, Ogeechee?] River, between Savannah & Sunbury -- and was there engaged in a skirmish under Colonel Pickens, with a party of British consisting of about 100 men of whom Colonel Pickens took about 35 men [?] and this declarant was discharged by said Pickens, about the first of February 1781 -- at Beach Island South Carolina having served other 3 months -- but said discharge has been lost or mislaid.

Again in the month of July, about the first the declarant again volunteered for 3 months under Captain Pendleton Isbell and was marched ~~from Saluda River~~ about the first of July 1781 from Wilkesboro, where his company came under the command of Major Hartgroves from thence to the Raft Swamp against the Tories, where it was said numbers of them had assembled and after remaining there some time, Declarant was marched with his company back to Wilkesboro & from thence to the Saluda River near declarant's residence where he was discharged by Major Hartgroves about the first of October 1781 -- which discharge he has also lost, having served other 3 months in all 15 months.

He states that he knows of no person by whom he can prove his said services -- neither has he any documentary Evidence. That he was born in the County of Frederick State of Maryland. He has no record of his age, was living in South Carolina when called into service -- did not serve with any regular officers. Is well acquainted with Lewis Click Esquire a justice of the peace of Hawkins County also with John Rodgers also a citizen of Hawkins who have testified to his reputation & there is no clergyman in his neighborhood.

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 or agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the day & year aforesaid.

S/ W. B. Mitchell, D. C. H.

S/ Notley Thomas, X his mark

[Lewis Click and John Rogers gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 4: On June 20, 1853, in Hawkins County Tennessee, Temperance Thomas, 84, a resident of Hancock County Tennessee made application for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of Notley Thomas, a pensioner at the rate of \$40 per annum for his services in the revolution; that she married him January 17th 1823; that he died March 4, 1841 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 5: On September 22, 1853 in Hawkins County Tennessee, James Johnson, 77, gave testimony that in the year 1823 he was an acting Justice of the peace for Hawkins County Tennessee and that he united Nottley Thomas and Temperance Shepperd together as husband and wife in that year.]

[p 23: Temperance Thomas testified that prior to moving to Hawkins County her husband resided in Burke County North Carolina and came to Hawkins about the year 1817 and lived there until he died; in this affidavit she states that she married him January 7th, 1823 in Hawkins County. She states that she has no private record of her marriage.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$52.50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the infantry and for 3 months in the cavalry of the South Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]