

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Floyd S21757

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State of South Carolina, York District

On this 16th day of October A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable W. D. Martin one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in said State for the District aforesaid now sitting Andrew Floid [Floyd] a resident of said District of York in the State of South Carolina aged Eighty Three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement & declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832.

That he was born in August 1750 in the State of Virginia in Frederick County as appears from an entry of his Birth in an old book now in his possession which is all the record he has and which he believes to be true. In the year 1769 he moved to the County of then Tryon now Lincoln in the State of North Carolina. That he joined as a volunteer in an Army the Regiment of which he belonged was commanded by Colonel Thomas Neel. That he entered said Army as a private some time (he thinks) in the year 1776 having still lived in the then County of Tryon; that the Army marched into South Carolina intending to surprise an Army of Tories & British under the command of Colonel Cunningham [Patrick Cunningham]. That some where near Ninety Six our Army came up on the Enemy and put them to flight taking about fourteen prisoners and some ammunition. (This Expedition has been called the Snowy Campaign)¹. The Army then divided and this deponent returned to Tryon with Captain John Barber and many others. The weather being very severe having been in service upwards of six weeks. The next spring he entered as a private in a volunteer Company commanded by Captain James Baird in an Army commanded by a certain Martin who he thinks was then a General in an Expedition to a place in North Carolina then called Cross Creek now Fayetteville. But before reaching there [they] received intelligence of the Tories having left the place. The Army was then ordered back and he returned again to Tryon having been out in this tour about six weeks. Soon after the return a call was made for men to Guard the frontiers from the ravages of the Indians and an Army being raised under the command of General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] and Colonel William Graham. This deponent was appointed an adjutant in said Army and acted as such but does not now recollect whether he had a commission or not. The Army marched into the Cherokee Nation and having destroyed their Towns and Crops and returned home having been in this rout as near as he can now recollect about two months. After our return the Army was kept in motion in order to keep down the Tories, he still acting as adjutant. And the next spring was sent with an Army

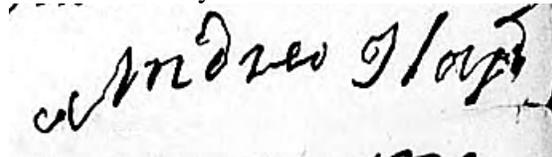
¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_snow_campaign.html

commanded by Captain Robert Alexander to the head of Catawba River to guard the frontiers against the Indians in which duty they were engaged about six weeks when they returned home to Tryon and was still engaged in scouting and skirmishing with the Tories until a call was made for men to oppose Colonel Floyd a commander of the British or Tory forces then in the edge of South Carolina. Colonel Graham & Col. Hambright [Frederick Hambright] with their Army were sent on and this deponent still acting as adjutant went with them. That after entering South Carolina found that the said Floyd & his forces had moved off. Our forces were informed that a considerable body of Tories had collected at Ramsour's Mill in Tryon County North Carolina. The Army then marched over into Mecklenburg and joined the Army under General Rutherford and marched into the Tryon but before reaching Ramsour's another party of Americans had attacked & defeated the Tories [Battle of Ramsour's Mill, June 20, 1780]. Still continuing in the Army and marching in different directions in order to keep down the disaffected. On the 7th of October 1780, the Army under the command of Colonels Shelby [Isaac Shelby], Sevier [John Sevier], Campbell [William Campbell] & others attacked & defeated Colonel Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] & his Army at Kings Mountain [October 7, 1780]. After this engagement this deponent returned with the Army to Tryon but the British forces then lying in Charlotte [late September and early October, 1780] made it necessary to keep up constant scouting parties in which he still was engaged and so continued as Adjutant in the American Army until the end of the War which he is well satisfied was over two years. After the revolutionary war was over he then removed with his Family to York District South Carolina where he has lived ever since.

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 and subscribed the day & year aforesaid. He has now no discharges, nor can he furnish any written evidence of his services. He refers to the annexed certificates on oath to prove the truth of his statements.

S/ Andrew Floyd



S/ A. McWhorter, CCC In Open Court

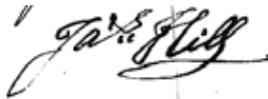
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State of North Carolina Lincoln County: SS

On this 9th Day of October 1832 personally appeared before me William J. Wilson one of the Justices of the peace in & for said County James Hill² and being first duly sworn deposeth & saith that he is well acquainted with Andrew Floid who makes the above and foregoing declaration that he was with said Floid in the Army at the head of Catawba & Kings Mountain Battle besides many other scouts through the Country and that he acted as Adjutant in the Army Sworn to & subscribed before me the day above written

S/ Wm J. Wilson, JP

S/ Jas. Hill



² [James Hill W3815](#)

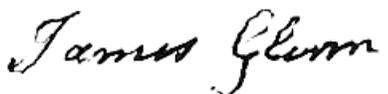
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State of South Carolina York District

James Glenn³ makes oath before me that he is now & has been acquainted with the within named Andrew Floyd before the Revolutionary War, that he was with him & well knows that he acted as a militia Soldier in the following places, & tours, -- viz. the Cherokee Campaign, at Ramsour's and at the Battle of Kings Mountain, and at those places and on all those occasions said Floyd acted as Adjutant, that he has had the annexed Declaration read to him, and from his own personal knowledge and from the inter [? entire] confidence he reposes in said Floyd he fully believes every part thereof to be true.

Sworn to & subscribed this day of November 1832.

S/ James Glenn



S/ W. Davison, JP

[Robert Brown and James B. Fulton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of South Carolina, York District: SS

The personal examination of Andrew Floyd made in open court before the honorable William D. Martin a Judge of the Court of Sessions & Common Pleas at York Court House October Term 1832

Interrogatory 1: Where and in what year were you born

Answer: I was born on the 29th of August 1750 in Frederick County Virginia

Interrogatory 2: Have you any record of your age? And if so where is it?

Answer: I have an old book in my possession which contains the only evidence of my age.

Interrogatory 3: Where were you living when called into service, where since the Revolutionary war & where now?

Answer: I was living in North Carolina Tryon County when called into service, where I lived until after the Revolutionary War. He then moved to York District South Carolina where he has resided ever since.

Interrogatory 4: How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute & if a substitute for whom

Answer: I was a volunteer. I think always.

Interrogatory 6th: [sic] State the names of your officers and the names of the officers of the regular troops who were with you at any time, such Continental & militia troops as were with you as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your services.

Answer: My officers were Col. Neel, Captain Barber, Captain Baird, General Martin -- & others referred to in my statement at large to which I refer for the general circumstances of my services.

7. Had you a commission, if so by whom was it signed, have you lost it?

Answer: I was appointed & commissioned an adjutant before I was called into service in the militia of North Carolina and at home acted as such. I do not recollect by whom it was signed. I did not obtain any commission after being called into service. I have lost or mislaid this commission.

³ [James Glenn S21768](#)

8. State the names of persons to you are known to in your neighborhood who can testify to your veracity and their belief in your statements?

Answer: I can refer to all my neighbors on this subject, but will only named James Hill & James Glenn.

Sworn to & subscribed the 16th of October 1832 in open court.

S/ Andrew Floyd

S/ A. McWhorter, CCC

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South Carolina York District

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the Quorum Andrew Floyd the within declarant and being duly sworn makes oath that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades: For three months as a private militia soldier. For two years three months and 14 days as an adjutant with the rank of Lieutenant and for such service I claim a pension.

Sworn to before me August 15, 1833.

S/ J. M. Ross, Q U

S/ Andrew Floyd

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The following is an Amendment to the declaration of Andrew Floyd on Application for a Pension – Act 4th 1833.

In the year 1776 I volunteered in the Army commanded by Colonel Thomas Neil marched into South Carolina had an engagement with the British & Tories commanded by a Colonel Cunningham not far from a place called Ninety Six (this Expedition was called the Snowy Campaign) In this tour I served as a private two months, In the year 1777, I volunteered in a Company Commanded by Colonel James Baird under General Martin, marched through part of North Carolina to a place called Cross Creek and back to Tryon was in no battle this tour but was regularly called out and in actual service this tour as a private six weeks, Soon after I was ordered out (or called out) Under the Command of General Rutherford & Colonel William Graham to guard the frontiers from the ravages of the Indians was appointed Adjutant, & after staying at the forts some time marched into the Cherokee Nation destroyed the Indian Towns and Crops &c, and then returned be in this Tour and Serving as Adjutant nine months, In 1778 I was Sent out with a Company commanded by Captain Robert Alexander to the head of the Catawba River to guard the frontiers against the Indians in this tour I served as Adjutant six weeks, I was again ordered out under the Command of Colonel Graham and Colonel Hambright in pursuit of Colonel Floyd & his Army of British & Tories. Marched into South Carolina but not finding him returned to North Carolina to attack the Tories at Ramsour's Mill but did not reach the place until the morning after the Battle In this tour I served as Adjutant three weeks. In 1779, I was ordered out under the Command of Colonel Graham to guard the frontiers and was out this tour and served as Adjutant three months, I was again called out under the Command of Colonel Graham and marched into South Carolina to meet the British after the Battle at Briar Creek in this tour I was out and served as adjutant two weeks. I was then called out under Colonel Graham and joined Colonel Shelby and others in this tour I was in the Battle of Kings Mountain and Served in this tour as Adjutant three weeks, and was in no more actual Service during the War at least no service for which compensation is allowed as appears by the rules of the Department.

S/ Andrew Floyd

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State of South Carolina York District

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace for the district aforesaid Andrew Floyd who being duly Sworn deposes and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his Service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades for three months & 12 days I served as a private for one year three months and eight days I served as Adjutant, with the rank of Lieutenant and for such service I claim a pension

Sworn to & subscribed October 4th 1833
before me S/ J.M. Ross, Q. U.

S/ Andrew Floyd

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South Carolina York The district

The personally came Captain James Martin⁴ and made oath that he was perfectly acquainted with the nature of the Service Stated in the amended Declaration of Andrew Floyd for a Pension, in which he States that he Served a nine months Tour in the Revolutionary War -- he knows that there were was 12 months Service required and he has no doubt that Andrew Floyd did Serve the full time that he has Stated in his declaration and further says that he believes said Floyd to be Entitled to every service that he claims. Sworn to & subscribed November 15th, 1833.

S/ James Martin, X his mark

S/ J. M. Martin, Q U Ex. Officio

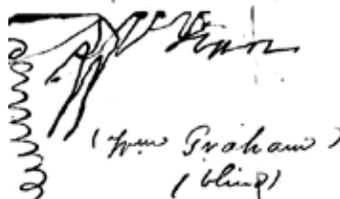
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State of North Carolina Rutherford County: to wit

Personally came before the Subscriber a Magistrate for the County of aforesaid, Colonel William Graham,⁵ who being sworn in due form of law, on his oath saith, that he knew you, Andrew Floyd whose Declaration is herewith appended, during the Revolutionary War; that the said Andrew Floyd served under his command as a private Soldier, for a considerable time, and was by this Deponent appointed Adjutant, with the Rank of Lieutenant, to the Regiment, then commanded by this deponent -- in this commission the said Andrew Floyd continued to serve for the Term of three years and upwards -- and until the close of the War.

Sworn to & subscribed before me 10th of August 1833.

S/ W. Graham
(Wm Graham)
(blind)



(Wm Graham)
(blind)

⁴ [James Martin S9391](#)

⁵ [William Graham S8624](#)

S/ Wm Richardson, JP

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South Carolina York District

Be it known that before Abraham Hardin a Justice of the quorum for said District personally appeared John Davidson of this District and Made oath in due form of law and said that on yesterday being the 18th day of November A.D. 1833 he saw Colonel William Graham of Rutherford County North Carolina and that said Colonel Graham had his eye sight as good as he could expect of a man of 90 years of age, that he could see to walk about the house and see as well as could be expected of any man of that age and that said Colonel Graham was of a sound mind and memory. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19th day of November 1833

S/ Abraham Hardin, J. Q.

S/ John Davison

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South Carolina York District

I John M. Ross Ordinary of York District do hereby certify that it has been shown by evidence satisfactory to the Court that Andrew Floyd deceased late a Revolutionary pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$120 per annum died at his residence in the District and State aforesaid on the 6th day of June 1839 leaving no widow but the following children viz. Mary Floyd, Dorcas Brown, Margaret Janes [could be Margaret Jones], George M. Floyd, John Floyd, Henry Floyd, & James Floyd and that since the death of said Andrew Floyd the following of the above named children have died viz. John Floyd, Henry Floyd and James Floyd & that Mary Floyd, Dorcas Brown and Margaret Janes & George M. Floyd are all over 21 years old and are still living. Given under my hand & seal of office this 22nd February A.D. 1851

Done in open Court

S/ J. M. Ross, O.Y.D.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$175.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending June 6, 1839 when he died. The pension was based on 3 months service as a private and 8 months and 8 days service as an adjutant in the North Carolina militia.]