

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Zachariah Carwile (Carwill, Carver) S9310<sup>1</sup>

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The State of South Carolina, Laurens District } To wit

On this fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one Thousand and eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before Richard Gantt Esq the Judge of the Court of General Session and Common Pleas of the said State, now sitting, Zachariah Carwile, a resident of Abbeville District in the said State, aged Eighty two years, who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he was born on the Eleventh day of Sept O.S. 1750 in Goochland County State of Virginia; that he has no record of his age.

That he was living when called into service in Prince Edward County State of Virginia; that he entered the service of the United States with the following named officers and served as herein after stated; that he enlisted as he thinks in the State troops of Virginia in the year 1775 with Captain Charles Allen of Prince Edward Virginia and served (as he thinks) in the 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia line, under the following named officers: Col. Samuel Meredith, Major James Allen, Captain Charles Allen, Lieutenant Joseph Parks, and Ensign James Allen; that he entered the service on the \_\_\_ day of December 1775, and left the service about the middle of November 1777; that he joined his company at Prince Edward Court House; that after some time they were marched to Manchester on James River, thence to Williamsburg, and Hampton, at the last of which place he was stationed for some months; that he was at this place when Independence was declared, that he was at, and participated in the battle of Gwynne's Island when Governor Dunmore was driven off. From Hampton, he and the other American troops removed to Norfolk where he remained as a guard or in Garrison until he was discharged upon the expiration of his term of enlistment. He did not receive a written discharge. The troops (as he thinks) were paraded and dismissed from service by order of the Commanding Officer.

That after his return home he removed to Holston River in the State of Tennessee and in September 1780 he joined Colonel Campbell [William Campbell] as a volunteer and marched to South Carolina, and under his command fought the battle of King's Mountain, in which Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] was killed and defeated, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October 1780; that from this place he marched as one of the guard on the prisoners to the Yadkin River, North Carolina, where he parted from Colonel Campbell and joined General Thomas Sumter at a place called the Black Rock and went with him into the lower part of South Carolina where he

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<sup>1</sup> This Pension Application is erroneously indexed in the HeritageQuest database under "Zachariah Carver" of Virginia.

remained some time and then marched back up the Country, to Blackstock's [Plantation] where the Battle [November 20, 1780] of that name was fought in which General Sumter was wounded, and Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] defeated, in which action this applicant participated and took an active part; thence he marched to the Iron works on Fair Forest Creek, and Smith's ford on Broad River where his tour of [duty] terminated, and returned home after having served under Colonel Campbell & General Sumter about seven months. In his first tour of duty he states that he was well acquainted with General Stephenson who commanded the troops with which he served, a part of the time, and afterwards went to the North.

He was in the service of the United States during the Revolution as an enlisted soldier and a Volunteer a little upwards of two years and six months.

That after the Revolutionary war he resided a short time in Tennessee and removed to South Carolina, and has lived in the Districts of Spartanburg, Laurens and Abbeville ever since, in the latter of which he now resides.

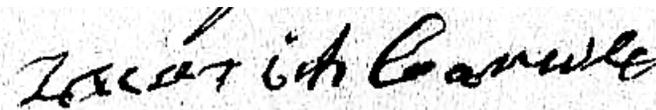
That he has no documentary evidence of his services in his possession, and knows of no person except John McMahan, whose affidavit is herewith submitted who can prove his revolutionary services.

That he refers to the Reverend Joseph Babb and Asa Chandler for his character as a man of veracity and for the general reputation that he was a Revolutionary soldier.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to an annuity or pension except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State, except that of the State of South Carolina at the rate of Sixty dollars per annum.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court.

S/ Zachariah Carwile



S/ Richard Gantt

The State of South Carolina Laurens District: to wit

Personally appeared in open Court John McMahan who being duly sworn says that he knows the applicant Zachariah Carwile, that he served with him in the Virginia line, and well knows that he served as he has stated from December 1775 to the middle of November 1777.

S/ John McMahan<sup>2</sup>



[Joseph Babb, a clergyman, and Asa Chandler gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]

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<sup>2</sup> FPA S18110 transcribed and posted in this database 5/9/13