State of South Carolina Spartanburg District

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Sworn to before me
S/ Robert Wilkins, JQ
S/ Wm Blake, W his mark

[beneath this document is a handwritten note reading as follows: "Forged by H. Moore. No Record L.D.S. Nov. 4/80"]

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Company, and I declare that I was attached to the North Carolina line.  
And I further declare, that I afterwards received a certificate for the reward of $80, to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15th of May 1778.  
And I further declare that I was not on the 15th of May 1828, on the pension list of the United States.  Witness my hand this 27th of August 1829.  
S/ Robert Wilkins, JQ S/ William Blake, W his mark

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Came David Chester before me, and made oath that he was well acquainted with the above deponent William Blake, and served with him through the war, and know the above statement to be true, 27th August, 1829.  
S/ Robert Wilkins, Jake you S/ David Chester, X his mark

[fn p. 5: there is a typed statement as follows: "The claim was rejected on the ground that the affidavit was a forgery and not made by David Chester."]