

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of John Gibbs S8556  
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State of North Carolina, Burke County

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1844, personally appeared before me William B. Rust one of the acting Magistrates and a member of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, in and for said County, John Gibbs, a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 89 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832,

That in the days of the Revolution he resided in Burk County North Carolina, and entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That in the year 1780, he was drafted into the service for a Tour of three months under Captain Clark who marched his company from Burke on to Charlotte where they joined General Davidson, who was stationed in Mecklenburg County and that after studying some weeks in that Post they were joined by General Morgan who spent a few days with them, and then the Armies parted and declarant was placed under General Morgan who marched on to South Carolina to the Cowpens at which Post he declarant was discharged having served out his tour of duty.

The next tour of duty was in the summer of the year following in the year 1781, he was again called into service to serve another three months tour under Captain John Conley by order of Colonel MacDowell [sic, McDowell], and was ordered on to the Fort at the head of the Catawba, where this deponent served out his tour of duty and was discharged.

This deponent further states that he performed other services but the above is the only regular tours that he was out: he also states that he would has no documentary Evidence in support of his services, but that he can prove a part or all of his services by parole Evidence.

This declarant also states that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency of any States that he hereby relinquishes every Claim whatever to a Pension Except the present, and that the reason why he has not applied before this late date for his Pension is that he was disappointed by an agent that he had Employed in the amount was so small that he saw to live without it and it is now from actual necessity he is induced to apply for a Pension,

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first above written before me.

S/ Wm B. Rust, JP

S/ John Gibbs, X his mark

State of North Carolina, Burke County

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 1844, personally appeared before me William B. Rust one of the acting Magistrates in and for said County, Stephen Ballew,<sup>1</sup> a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 83 years, a United States Pensioner, and made oath in due form of law, to the following statements, (to wit) That he is now, and was in the days of the Revolution, well acquainted with John Gibbs of Burke County who is now applying for a Pension, due to him, in the amount of his Revolutionary services; that he (the deponent) was out in the service with said John Gibbs, under Captain Clark in the year 1780, that they left Burke County in July under Captain Clark the aforesaid, and marched on to Mecklenburg County, when they joined General Davidson, at a Post in said County, where they remained for some six weeks, and were joined by General Morgan, who after resting his Army for a few days, left General Davidson, and marched his Army on to the Cowpens, a Post in South Carolina, and it was on that occasion said John Gibbs and deponent were separated; deponent remained with General Davidson's Army, and said John Gibbs went on with Captain Clark and General Morgan to the Cowpens, at which place deponent understood on his return home said Gibbs was discharged after having served out his tour.

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1 [Stephen Ballew S16835](#)

This deponent further states on his said oath, that the aforesaid John Gibbs was, to his own personal knowledge, called in to service the next year (in 1781) to serve a tour of duty at the Old Fort, at the head of the Catawba River in Burke County under Captain John Conly, which tour he deponent has always understood and fully believes he did serve, but deponent was not out with him. Sworn and subscribed on the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Wm B. Rust, JP

S/ Stephen Ballew, X his mark