

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Mathew McCammon S17578

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State of Indiana Sullivan County

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Josiah Mann the Court of Probate now sitting Mathew McCammon a resident of the County of Sullivan and State of Indiana aged 75 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 State of South Carolina under the following named officers and served as herein after stated.

That he was drafted into the service of the said State under Capt. James Knox a Militia officer of Camden district South Carolina for the term of 4 weeks -- whose company was attached to the division commanded by Col. E. Cushaw [sic, Eli Kershaw] all under the command of General Thomas Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter] in which draft the applicant served 9 weeks and was remanded home. The above service was in the year '79.

In the year Eighty this applicant was again drafted for the term of 3 months under the command of Capt. Henry Bishop in the service of the above State whose company was attached to the division commanded by Col. Wyne [sic, Winn] all under the command of General T. Sumter in which Term he served about half the time drafted for and was again remanded home.

On the 15th day of April '82 the applicant enlisted into the United States service in the South Carolina Cavalry under the command of Capt. John Mills Lieut. John Miller and Ensign Alexander Brown whose company was first mustered under the command of Col. Henry Hampton. The term of this enlistment was for ten months five months of the said term was served under the command of the said Henry Hampton the command after the said service was transferred to Col. Wade Hampton under whom this applicant served the other 5 months of the term of his enlistment under Col. Wade Hampton the applicant was in the following engagements -- First of which was the taking of Fort Congaree Secondly -- the taking of Fort Thompson alias "B[illegible letters]cades" from thence he was marched to Orangeburg Fort a distance of 25 miles which Fort was taken after a short engagement. He was next in an engagement or skirmish with the famous Tories Simon Girty in said skirmish there was thirteen killed on the side of the United States -- he was further at the Battle of the Eutaw Springs<sup>1</sup> in which engagement the applicant received a slight flesh wound in the act of charging -- all the above engagements was in the State of South Carolina under the command of the above named officers -- After which he was marched under the command of Major Bleauford [sic] into the State of Georgia in said state the Applicant was in 2 engagements -- one of which was with the British within 8 or 10 miles of the town of Savannah in which engagement there was none of the Americans killed (of the enemy 17 killed). The other was within 20 or 25 miles of the town of Ebenezer with the Indians a part of whom was taken prisoner none killed on either side. The applicant was thence marched

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<sup>1</sup> September 8, 1781. <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/eutaw.htm>

as one of the guards over the said Indian prisoners to the town of Ebenezer at which place he continued one week during said week the Applicants term of enlistment expired he was from thence marched back to Orangeburg in South Carolina at which place he was detained 3 days and was then ordered home with directions to meet at a certain place on the Congaree River on the 15th day of April to receive his regular discharge. At which place the applicant met on the date specified But Col. Wade Hampton not attending he could not obtain the said discharge and returned from thence without one.

The Applicant 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 to his knowledge. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Mathew McCammon, X his mark

[James Love, a clergyman, and George Boon, and John Benefield gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The Court put the following interrogatories

1<sup>st</sup> Interog. was born in the year 1757 in the County of Antrim in Ireland

2<sup>nd</sup> Interog. He answers in the negative they having been destroyed by fire.

3<sup>rd</sup> Interog. In South Carolina since in Kentucky now Indiana.

4<sup>th</sup> Interog. Drafted twice enlisted once.

5<sup>th</sup> Interog. General Wayne, Major Doyle, Col. White, Capt. Gill circumstances he was at the taking of Congaree Fort, Buckhead, Orangeburg, at the Battle of Eutaw Springs and at the skirmish of Tory Simon Gerty 13 killed.

6<sup>th</sup> Interog. Answered in the negative.

7<sup>th</sup> Interog. James Brooks, Samuel Whittelsey, John W. Davis, Bailey Johnson

Thomas Gill<sup>2</sup> personally appeared in open Court and after being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was in the Militia service with said McCammon and in the same brigade commanded by General Lincoln at Purrysburg South Carolina he further states he seen him in the Troops light horse Troops frequently that were commanded by Col. Mills under Col. Hampton belonging to General Sumter's Brigade; in the Revolutionary War.

Board of commissioners Sullivan County, State of Indiana January Term A.D. 1833 --

Personally appeared before the Board, Matthew McCammon the applicant named in the annexed papers, for the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7 1832 and amends his declaration by stating that he has no documentary or other evidence to submit in support of his claim, other than that already exhibited to the Department, in the affidavit of Thomas Gill, which is contained in the accompanying papers.

S/ Matthew McCammon, X his mark

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<sup>2</sup> This MAY be [Thomas Gill S31061](#) who filed for his pension while living in Crawford County, Illinois.