

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of Peter Dubose S21163
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State of South Carolina, Sumter District

On this 30th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before Baylis J. Earle one of the Associate Judges of the State aforesaid Captain Peter Dubose (the Said Court being now in sitting) of the district and State aforesaid aged Seventy three 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 United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That about the year 1776 before the battle of Fort Moultrie he entered the service in the company of Captain Elias Dubose in Darlington district, in the said State then called Cheraw district, that he marched to Charleston and there remained one-month – then was discharged. Captain Elias Dubose's company was in Colonel Powell's¹ Regiment. Then about two months after his discharge, he entered as a volunteer in the company of Captain Thomas Port in the Regiment of Col. Hugh Giles and was marched to See weed bay [sic, Sewee Bay] near Haddrell's Point in the harbor of Charleston. That when the British fleet left the harbor, he in Captain Port's company was ordered to Georgetown and then to Little Pee Dee [Pedee River] after rendezvousing about Mars Bluff after the Tories – was then put under the command of Colonel William Davie and retained about six weeks. That after Gates defeat [Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden] he was obliged to leave South Carolina to get out of the way of the Tories and repaired to Bladen County, North Carolina where he did duty under Captain Peter Robinson. Then returned to South Carolina & did duty under Colonel Abel Kolb, Colonel Morris Murphy [or Maurice Murphy] and Colonel Lemuel Benton and Major William Standard & Tristram Thomas for about three months. Then was put in General Francis Marion's brigade and after being under him for about a year, Marion's man (one of whom was the applicant) besieged Fort Watson on Scott's Lake for about seven days and nights in constant service – took the Fort and this applicant was started with the prisoners across Little Pee Dee [River] and from there transferred them & sent them to Hillsborough in North Carolina. That he returned and joined the Army and was in the battle of Waboo [sic, Wadboo] near Moncks Corner before which however after being an Ensign and Lieutenant he received a Captain's commission from Governor Rutledge [John Rutledge]. Sometime before this he was in the battle on Black Creek under Colonel Baker of Georgia. That shortly after the battle of Wadboo, the news of peace came & he was discharged. He was in the service about five years. The only regular officer he remembers was General Greene [Nathanael Greene] in whose camp he once was. He knew Colonel Peter Horry, was under him – he also knew Colonel Robert Ellison – Colonel Baxter & Colonel McDonald under each of whom he has done duty. Marion's brigade received no written discharges, the companies were discharged by a verbal order by the General. The commission of this applicant is worn out by age, and he has no papers. He has no documentary evidence but refers to the testimony of Silas Hayes [sic,

1 Probably Col. George Gabriel Powell, Moss, *SC Patriots*, 783

Hailes] below given who was a soldier under him. His commission was signed by Governor Rutledge.
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.

S/ Peter Dubose

Sworn to before

S/ B. J. Earle, Presiding Judge

[Henry D. Green, a clergyman, and A. G. Crosswell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Silas ~~Hayes~~ Hailes² in open court in the district of Sumter in said state before B. J. Earle presiding Judge, makes oath that during the Revolution he was well acquainted with Captain Peter Dubose, that he was a soldier in the company of Captain Dubose in Marion's brigade. That he was with him at the battle of Wadboo and has personal knowledge of most of the matters detailed in above declaration.

S/ Silas Hailes, X his mark

Sworn to before

S/ B. J. Earle, Presiding Judge in Open Court

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State of South Carolina

Additions by way of amendment to the annexed declaration of Captain Peter Dubose for a pension.

Personally appeared before me William D. Martin one of the associate Judges of the State of South Carolina now holding the Court of Common Pleas & Sessions for Sumter district in said State, Captain Pete Dubose who being duly sworn deposes and saith, that by reason of old age and 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 2 years as a private -- for 5 months as an Ensign for 6 months as a Lieutenant -- for 15 months as a Captain -- and for such services he claims a pension: also on oath says that during the whole time he was in service he was not engaged in any civil pursuit.

Further on oath says, that he received his three commissions from hands of General Marion through his age or officers, and that they were signed by Governor Rutledge.

Sworn to before made this 11th day of April 1833. --

S/ Peter Dubose

S/ Wm D. Martin, one of the associate justices of So. Carolina

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South Carolina Richland District

Personally came before me John Rowan one of the Justices of the Quarrel in and for the District aforesaid William Brown, and maketh oath that he is in a very low state of health, and is not able to attend at the courthouse in Sumter District on the first Monday in November instant. Deponent also states that he was a soldier in the revolution with Peter Dubose under General Marion, and that they were in an engagement together in the summer of 1782 at Wadboo plantation, said Peter Dubose to best of my recollection acted as Captain of a company in the above Engagement and performed his duty as a volunteer Soldier, and Deponent further states that the said Peter Dubose continued in service until the end of the war.

Sworn to before me this 3rd of November 1832

S/ John Rowan, QU

S/ William Brown, X his mark

2 [Silas Hailes W27546](#)

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State of South Carolina Secretary's office Columbia June 1, 1833

I Samuel Hammond³ Secretary of State do hereby certify, that there are no records or rolls in this department, shewing [showing] the names of any of the officers or privates who served during the Revolution.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set the seal of said State at Columbia this 1 June 1833 & 57th Year of American Independence.

S/ S. Hammond, Secr. State

[fn p. 3: on May 10, 1851, Middleton DuBose present evidence and Sumpter District South Carolina that he was the sole and duly qualified executor of the estate of Peter DuBose; and that Peter DuBose departed this life July 26, 1846.]

[facts in file: veteran died leaving 4 children: Middleton of Sumpter District South Carolina, Argent Josey; Laney Woodham and Dupre Dixon, all living as of 1851; the name of the veteran's wife is not contained in the file.]

³ [Samuel Hammond S21807](#)