

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Wilson Cary Selden: S4815

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District of Columbia}

County of Washington} SS

On this thirtieth day of June 1832, personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid Wilson Cary Selden, a resident of Exeter, Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County, Virginia, aged 70 years and upwards, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832. That he entered in the army of the United States as Surgeons Mate in the year 1779, in the Marine Hospital, then at Hampton, that he was appointed a full Surgeon in June 1780, and attached to the regiment of Artillery Commanded by Col Elias Edmonds of the Virginia line, and was marched to the State of South Carolina. that being attacked with a dangerous illness, he was advised by his Colonel to go to sea, which he did. that about three weeks from the period of his embarkation, the letter of marque in which he sailed was captured by the enemy, and the declarant, with many others made prisoners of War. that in 1782 he was liberated and parolled; that he never resigned his commissioned but constantly held his rank as full Surgeon to the end of the War.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State.

[signed] W. C. Selden