

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Richard Robertson: S6022

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State of Virginia Franklin County Towit

On this 4th day of September 1832 appeared in open court before Henry Carper, John M Holland, Wm B Williams & Moses Greer of Franklin county now sitting Richard Roberson, a resident of the county of Franklin and state of Virginia aged about 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 the 7th 1832. that he is birth a Virginian & now resides Franklin Cty That he entered the service of the United States from Bedford county under the command of Lieutenant Christopher Ervin and ensign [Thomas] Nance from Bedford County Va about the month of September seventeen hundred and eighty. that he was marched from Bedford county to Hillsborough in North Carolina and there was put under Cap. Webber and joined General [Horatio] Gates - and from there was marched to Charlotte Town in North or South Carolina [sic: Charlotte NC] At which place General Green took command of the army [sic: Nathanael Greene, on 2 Dec 1780]; and he was marched to the Cheraw Hills in South Carolina where he went into winter quarters. That sometime afterwards he was detached from the army to go down to Pedie [sic: Pee Dee River] and that he there helped to take some British and tories with whom he marched to Pittsylvania, old court house Va. under General Stephens [sic: probably Edward Stevens] at which place he was discharged on the 14th Feb 1781, having served in that tour five months.

In April or May following he was drafted from the county of Bedford under Cap. Chatin Dogget [sic: Chatton Doggett] and marched to Dandridge's Old fields being head quarters in Hanover county Va. the place of rendesvous. That he was attached to General [Robert] Lawson's Brigade - General Lafayette being Commander in Chief From Dandridges Old fields he marched to James Town on James River. - after which he was marched under General Lawson to New Kent Courthouse There received a discharge having served three months.

In August following (as substitute) he entered the service in Chesterfield Co under the command of General Lawson and marched to York Town in Va. and then joined the main army under command of Gen Washington and served at the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] and marching from that place to Winchester Va. with some British prisoners he on his way a little before he arrived, was taken sick and was discharged having served three months in that tour that he has lost his discharges. That he does hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid

[signed] Richard Robertson