

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Matthew L Anderson VAS1995

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To the Honorable the Speaker & Gentleman of the House of Delegates

The Petition of Matthew L Anderson humbly Sheweth, That your Petitioner was a Soldier in the late War, and on account of his infirmities is rendered unable to support or maintain himself by his labour. Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that Honorable House that he may be placed on the List of Pensioners for such annual allowance as to the House shall appear just & reasonable –

[Reverse]

Anderson's Petition

November 27, 1783

Referred to Claims

May 1784

Reasonable

Allowed £5 per year for 2 years

I hereby Certify that Matthew Anderson Enlisted as a Soldier into my Company of the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Continental Regiment of Infantry the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1777 for the term of three years, and was discharged the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1779 on account of his being incapable of Field or Garrison duty. Given under my hand in Hanover the 11<sup>th</sup> May 17\_\_ [last 2 digits written over and illegible]

S/ Jno. Winston [John Winston]

Handwritten certificate of enlistment and discharge for Matthew Anderson. The text reads: "I hereby Certify that Matthew Anderson Enlisted as a Soldier into my Company of the 14<sup>th</sup> Virginia Continental Regiment of Infantry the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1777 for the term of Three years, and was discharged the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1779 on account of his being incapable of Field or Garrison duty. Given under my hand in Hanover the 11<sup>th</sup> May 17\_\_ [last 2 digits written over and illegible]". The signature "Jno. Winston" is written at the bottom right.