

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Robert Parker VAS4088
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Spencer Kellam [W1178] aged 73 years, & who is a man of truth & veracity, made oath before me that he was intimately acquainted with Robert Parker of Accomack County – that said Robert Parker enlisted on board the Vessel of war commanded by Capt Bright [Francis Bright R16] in the Revolutionary War, & which was called the “Northampton” & died in service; that he does not know for what precise period he enlisted, but always supposed & understood that he enlisted to serve a regular tour or term of service like other seamen: that he the witness entered the Continental service in 1780 & said Parker had enlisted sometime before that period, & about the first of the war as this witness thinks. Witness my hand & seal this 27th day of Sep’r 1832 at Accomack County Wm R Custis JP

Hilary Mears [Hilary Mears S18508] aged about 75 years came before me & made oath that Robert Parker, who was a young man & lived near the witness, enlisted under Capt Bright on board of the Brig Northampton sometime during the Revolutionary War, for the term of 3 years as a seaman and never returned home, and it was always said & believed that he died in service on board said Brig. And I certify that said Mears is a man of truth & veracity & entitled to confidence.
Witness my hand & seal as a Justice of the peace at Accomack Co this 17th day of June 1833
Wm. R. Custis JP