

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Ransdell BLWt1852-300

f10VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

Va.                    Ransdell, Thomas                    B.L.Wt.1852-300—Capt.  
Issued Jan. 17 1800 to  
Chifton Ransdell, Guardian  
of John & Maria Ransdell  
heirs of T. R.  
No papers

[Note: File contains the customary letter responding to inquiries telling the inquirer that all records relating to this veteran were destroyed in the fire of November 1800.]

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From Heitman's "Historical Register" 1819 in addition, page 458:

THOMAS RANSDALL [sic]

enlisted as a 3rd Lieutenant in the 11th Virginia

July 31, 1776

Promoted to 2nd Lieutenant

February 6, 1777

Promoted to 1st Lieutenant

July 1, 1777

Regiment changed to the 7th Virginia

September 14, 1778

He was transferred to the 3rd Virginia

February 12, 1781

Appointed a Captain in the 3rd Virginia

October, 1781

Retired

January one, 1783

From "Records of the Revolutionary War" by Saffell, 1894, pages 262-7

Thomas Ransdall was 1st Lieutenant under Captain John Marshall, in General Woodford's brigade, as it stood November 30, 1778. This entry shows that he was in Colonel Daniel Morgan's Regiment a part of his service and must have been at Valley Forge during a part of that Winter.

From Kentucky Yearbook of the S. A. R., 1894 2 1813: – page 307: – Captain Thomas Ransdall was one of the original members of the "Society of the Cincinnati" from Virginia.

He was granted a land warrant #167 for 4000 acres of land in return for his services in the Army. Order dated March 9, 1783

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The [Virginia State Library](#) online collection relating to bounty land claims against that state

contains the following document relating to this veteran:

In the year 1775 I knew Thomas Ransdall who [several indecipherable words] in a Minute Battalion that [one or more indecipherable words] in the counties of Orange Culpeper and Fauquier in the year 1776 was appointed an officer in the Virginia Continental line and served to the end of the late war with Great Britain. Given under my hand this 31st day of October 1807.

S/ James Williams

Captain in the 6 Continental Virginia Regiment

drawn 4000 acres

as a Captain

Wm [indcipherable last name]

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[There is also a reference to a Lt. Thomas Ransdale in the documents contained in the Bounty Land file of Lt. Richard Muse.]