

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Taylor R10425

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State of Kentucky County of Ohio: SS

On this 8th day of August 1842 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Ohio County now sitting Richard Taylor a resident of Ohio County in the State of Kentucky aged eighty-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, Doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June seventh, 1832. That he entered the Service of the State of Virginia in the month of September (as a Militia man, under a Draft in the County of Frederick in the State of Virginia) in the year 1777 in a company then commanded by Captain John Gilkerson, I was informed that this Company composed a part of the command of Colonel McIntosh who was then as this deponent was informed and believed in command of a Fort on the Ohio River, that he remained in service in this Company several months, the precise length of time, in this Service he does not now recollect but states that he marched across the Mountains westward and met the Militia returning marched back, and remained in said company, until the spring of the year 1778, when he was discharged by a written discharge, which is long since lost. That in the month of April or May in the year of 1781 he volunteered and joined a Company of Riflemen then commanded by Captain Marcus Calmes<sup>1</sup> in the Battalion under command of Major \_\_\_Scott and Dark's Regiment. Bedinger was Adjutant, and was attached to or belonged to Stephens's Brigade, we were immediately marched on the James River to a place called Maldens Hill [Malvern Hills], near to Richmond served eight months as a militia man, near York, and vicinity remained in the service until the surrender of Cornwallis in the fall of the year 1781 during the campaign we were joined by the French Troops under command of Lafayette, at Williamsburg in the State of Virginia, at which latter place he received a written discharge, which he lost by the burning of his House about ten years since. That he has now no documentary evidence left by which he can establish his service as a Soldier of the Revolution, in his possession, that he knows of no person living who served with him during the Revolution, but refers to his deposition taken in the year of 1833 or 1834, in support of the declaration of Mathias Shutts,<sup>2</sup> as also the said Declaration itself and states that said Deposition and Declaration be taken and considered as part of this Declaration, as now on file in the Pension office of the United States. That he believes he can to some extent prove his said services by the testimony of William Taylor and Jane Taylor, if so their depositions well appear hereto appended.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present and

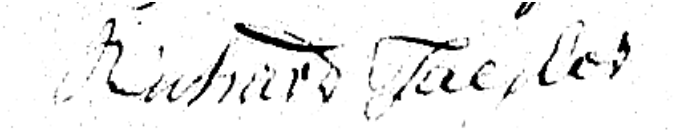
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<sup>1</sup> Perhaps the same man as sic, [Marquis Calmes S12674](#), if so, it is more likely that the veteran served under Calmes in an earlier part of the war.

<sup>2</sup> FPA W8714

declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any States.  
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Richard Taylor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard Taylor". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.