

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elias Porter R20199

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For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the Act for the relief of certain surviving officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th May 1828 I Elias Porter Senior in the County of Clermont in the State of Ohio do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain Edward McCarty's Company in the 12th Regiment of the Virginia line. And I further declare that I never applied for or received a certificate for the reward of \$80 under a resolve of Congress passed 18th May 1778, except my certificate of discharge from General Daniel Morgan; and which certificate has been lost or mislaid so that I cannot now produce it. And I further declare that I first enlisted as above stated in the company of Captain William Voss (or Voice) [William Vause] and served in his company for the term of 3 years, when said Voss or Vaus resigned his commission as I was informed, – I was then placed under the command of the above named McCarty and there remained till the termination of the War.

And I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States.

S/ Elias Porter Senior, X his mark

[John Pollock and Samuel Perrin gave an affidavit that the applicant was generally reputed in that his neighborhood to have been a private soldier in the Army of the Revolution]

[James Fox of Clermont County Ohio gave it an affidavit that he saw the discharge of Elias Porter given by Daniel Morgan and that the affiant believes the applicant did serve as he states.]

The State of Ohio Champaign County: SS: Personally appeared before the undersigned a justice of the peace in and for Hanson Township and County aforesaid James Largeant¹ who being duly qualified deposeth and saith that Elias Porter and himself was returned during the war and that they served 3 years together in the war and that \$80 was sent to them that served during the war and that the said Elias Porter was returned during the war and further this deponent saith not. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 of May 1829

S/ James Largeant, X his mark

S/ Major Hancock, JP

The State of Ohio Champaign County: SS

Personally appeared before me Samuel McCord a Justice of the Peace in & for the

¹ Sic, FPA S3857

County James Largent and made oath that he was present when Elias Porter enlisted under Captain William Vaus [William Vause or Voss] of the 12th Virginia Regiment at which time deponent also enlisted and served together for three years being the term for which we enlisted the year we enlisted was 1777 and Deponent further states that he knows that said Elias Porter served the term aforesaid faithfully for he deponent fought side by ^{his} side both in the Battles of Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778] & Brandywine [September 11, 1777] Colonel Wood commanded the Regiments and General Scott the Brigade to which we belong in the Continental line.

S/ James Largent, X his mark

[Of Sarah Porter, widow of Philip Porter gave testimony that she was present and Elias Porter enlisted in the Continental service under Captain Vaus for 3 years. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]