



Petersburgh in the State of Virginia. He knows of no other living testimony he can procure (owing to his great age and infirmities) to prove his service – applicant says that by Reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, that he cannot state precisely the length of time he served in the army of the Revolution. But according to the best of his recollection and belief, he served not less than 3 nor more than six months in person – in the capacity of a private soldier. He entered the service one or two years before Cornwallis was taken [19 Oct 1781], the precise date, he cannot Recollect, nor the date of his discharge, and for this service he claims a pension. Thadeus hisXmark Armstead

NOTE: The pension act of 1832 required proof of at least six months of service. On 7 Mar 1853 John Armistead, 55, deposed that he understood that his father, Thaddeus Armistead, had served three tours of three months each, that his father's pension agent died before his father received a pension, and that his father therefore never knew whether he had obtained a pension. John Armistead stated that his father died on 12 Dec 1848, and he applied for the pension for himself and the other surviving child, Thaddeus F. Armistead.