

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Drumheller R3095

VA

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State of Virginia

Albemarle Cty To Wit:

Be it known that on the 25th day of Januay 1845 personally appeared before us Justices of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid George Drumheller a resident of the said Cty of Albemarle who being duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain a pension under the Laws of the Untied States. That as near as he can recollect he is Eighty-six years old and entirely blind by reason of which and other bodily infirmities he is altogether unable to got to court a distance of near twenty miles to make this declaration

That he served Two tour's of duty in the Revolutionary war The first under Captain John Harris and the second under Captain Mark Leake both of the Cty of Albemarle – He recived two written discharge's but has lost them both.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or an annuity whatsoever except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any State

He further States that he served in the Infantry but does not recollect whether this service was at the time when he was in service under Captains Harris and Leake or whether it was at a different time. The name of his Colonel he states to be [Reuben] Lindsay. He recived one discharge at Richmond and the other in Prince Edward County Va. George hisXmark Drumheller

Interrogatoris proposed by us as Justice of the peace

1st Where and in what year were you born

Answer – I cannot tell

2nd Have you any record of your age and where is it?

Answer. I have not

3rd Where were you living when you were called into sevice?

Answer – In the County of Albemarle.

4th Where have you lived since the war and where do you now live

Answer. I have always lived in the County of Albemarle with the exception of two years in which I lived in one of the lower countes of this State

5th How were you called into service, were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom

Answer. I belonged to the malitia and seved on my own account and not as a substitute

6th State who were your officers according to your present recollection?

Answer Capt Harris Capt Leake and Cols Lindsey

7 Why have you not applied for a pension before this time

Answer He was always told that unless he could positively state and prove that he had seved six months that he would not be allowed a pension under the Laws of the united States

Sworn to and subscribed before us Justices of the peace in the County and State aforesaid the day and year aforesaid the day and year aforesaid William D Hart Wm B Harris

State of Virginia }

Albemarle County }

Be it known that on this 14th day of January 1845 before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid personally appeared Micajah Bowen [pension application S29643] aged ninety three years and made oath in due form of law, that he is well acquainted with George Drumhellar, and he does well know that the said George Drumhellar Served two tours of militia duty of two months each in year of 1781. The first tour of duty he was under the command of Capt. John Harris, in this tour

of duty he marched from the County of Albemarle in the State of Virginia in the second tour of duty he marched from the same County under the command of Capt. Mark Leak to Richmond and thence up the country until he met the army under the command of General Wayne [Anthony Wayne, 10 Jun 1781]. Affiant states, that in the above named tours of duty performed by the said George Drumhellar, that he affiant served with him in the same Companys – affiant would further state that he is a pensioner of the United States and would refer more particularly to his own declaration now on file in the pension office as proof of the aforesaid tours of duty, whilst under the Command of Capt Harris and Capt. Leake, in the revolutionary war
Micajah hisXmark Bowen

I Peggy Moyer of the County of Albemarle State of Virginia now in her eightieth year do hereby certify that at the age of about fourteen that I then lived in that aforesaid County and State where I have lived ever since. And I do hereby Certify that I was well acquainted with a certain George Drumheller a relation of mine who also resides and is now living in that County of Albemarle State of Va. about ten miles from me and who I suppose is now about 80 years old, and I am informed is blind – Did march from the County of Albemarle aforesaid at the time I was about 14 years old not recollecting dates, with his brother Leonard Drumheller [pension application W5265] who is now dead (and was a pensioner) James Old, and Joseph Walters, to go into the war in the Revolutionary some where toward Richmond or the lower Country, and while they were gone, the British came to Charlottesville Va. [4 Jun 1781] and that the said George Drumheller, his brother Leonard, James Old, & Joseph Walters remained for some time, how long I cannot say. And that they all returned home to Albemarle Co. where the said George Drumheller has lived ever since in about 10 miles of me. I further Certify that I well remember that the said George Drumheller, and the others named had on their backs their napsacks. But has no knowledge under whom they marched or that I ever heard. As given under my hand this the 23^d day of January 1845.
Peggy herXmark Moyer

NOTE:

George Drumheller's claim was denied for lack of proof that he served at least six months.

A note in the file states that George Drumheller died on 10 May 1848, his wife having died "long before he did."

On 20 Nov 1852 William Drumheller assigned power of attorney to pursue the claim of his father, George Drumheller. On 7 Feb 1854 Jacob Drumheller, relationship not stated, assigned power of attorney for the same purpose. On 23 June 1853 Eli Ames, Addison Gentry, and Samuel Drumheller certified that George Drumheller "had made a disposition of all his property having settled it upon his children and especially his real estate upon his son Adam Drumheller in consideration of which he was bound for the support of his father during life."