

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Zachariah Pulliam R8519

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State of Georgia Habersham County: SS

On this 10th day of August 1844, Personally appeared before me Thomas W Wheeler an acting Justice of the Peace in said County Zachariah Pulliam a resident of the County and State above written aged eighty-seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the Provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he was a resident of Louisa County in the State of Virginia and that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 for a term of 18 months under Captain Thomas Johnson whose recruiting officer was by the name of Waddy Thompson and served that tour of time as one of the lifeguards to General Stephens [probably Edward Stevens] from whom he received his discharge which has since been lost, And immediately after the expiration of that Tour he entered the Virginia State Troops under Captains Richard Phillips, Henry Johnson, George Mickey, James Watson, Turner Anderson, William Harris as company officers and Major Armistead, Colonel Taylor and Generals Washington, Nelson &c as some of the higher officers under whom he variously served. He now thinks as well as he recollects in Tours of six months making an amount of time for said separate Tours of eighteen months in the Virginia State Troops in which time he was in the Siege Battle at Yorktown commencing on the 7th of October 1781 and ending the 17th of the same month in which Siege Battle he received a severe wound by a sword or bayonet Stuck in his right arm all the above services being rendered as a private and making an amount of time of three years Services. Shortly after the Siege at Yorktown he was dismissed to go home. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Thomas B Wheeler, JP

S/ Zachariah Pulliam, X his mark

Georgia Habersham County

Personally came before me Thomas B Wheeler an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the said County J. N. Smith a practicing physician who after being first duly sworn saith on his oath that he has professionally examined an old wound in the right arm of Zachariah Pulliam which he states to me he received in the Siege of Yorktown October 7th 1781 which I have every confidence to Believe and which wound must have been of long-standing and a great impediment to his getting his support by labor after the war as the Bayonet entered the arm just below the elbow and ranging between the two bones.

August 13th, 1844.

Thomas B Wheeler, JP

S J N Smith, M.D.

Geo Smith M.D.

State of Georgia Habersham County: SS

Know all men by these presents that I John Pulliam of Habersham County State of Georgia the son and heir of Zachariah Pulliam who was a Soldier in the War of the Revolution and who has heretofore applied for a United States Pension and has since died, do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas Lampkins of Washington City my true and lawful Attorney.... [boilerplate power of attorney language not transcribed]

John Pulliam