

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Tayler (Taylor) S10260

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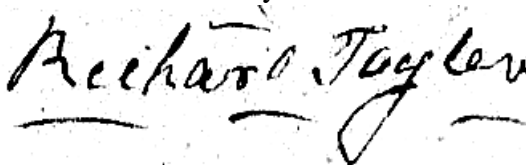
State of Virginia Cumberland County to wit

On the 24th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Cumberland Richard Taylor a resident of said County in the State of Virginia, 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 the 7th 1832.

That he is a native of the County of Cumberland and State of Virginia and has always resided there with the exception of a short period in Buckingham and Mecklenburg Counties. That he is 70 years of age in October next. That he does not know of any Register of his age that is now in existence. That he was among the first militia that marched from the County of Buckingham under the command of Captain John Bates, and the Commander of the Regiment to which they were attached was Colonel Charles May until we reached Williamsburg that this was a full tour but is not certain whether it was for 2 or 3 months. The precise year he does not recollect. That his next tour of duty was one of 2 or 3 months he cannot be certain under the command of Captain Charles Ballow whom marched from Cumberland to North Carolina and was attached to General Lawson's Brigade and was in the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781]. That the next call upon him was while he lived in Mecklenburg when 16 or 17 had to draft for a man & it fell to my lot to go and I hired a substitute for £110: – That the last tour which he performed was at the Siege of York that he marched from Cumberland County under the command of Captain Creed Hoskins [creed Haskins], the length of this service was about 6 weeks or 2 months, that he also served under Lieutenant James Williams at the Point of Fork about 15 or 20 days to the best of his recollection –

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Richard Tayler

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Taylor". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Richard Tayler".

Powhatan County State of Virginia

The affidavit of Thomas Tucker¹ of lawful age, & of this County states, that he was well

¹ [Thomas Tucker S7762](#)

acquainted with Richard Taylor of Cumberland County who has made a Declaration for a Pension as a soldier of the American Revolution under the act of Congress passed in 1832. That he the said Thomas Tucker was with Richard Taylor in the service at the Battle of Guilford Court House in North Carolina, both of them and General Lawson's Brigade & under the immediate command of Henry St. George. Tucker then a major [?] and afterwards Judge of the General Court & court of Appeals of Virginia. The said Thomas Tucker recollects that the said Richard Taylor belonged to the company of Captain Charles Ballow from Cumberland. This affiant also states that Richard Taylor is about his age – that is upwards of 80 years old. That he was always considered a good soldier & this affiant together believed that he served several tours of duty in the war of the Revolution besides that with him – which was for some 6 or 8 weeks – certainly not less than 6 weeks.

October the 4th 1830

S/ Thomas Tucker



Cumberland County to wit

The affidavit of Leonard Daniel of lawful age states that he the said Leonard is well acquainted with Richard Taylor of Cumberland County who has made a declaration for a Pension as a Revolutionary Soldier under the act of Congress passed 1832. That he the said Leonard Daniel was in service during the Revolutionary war with the said Richard Taylor, at the Siege of York that they marched from Cumberland County about the latter part of the summer or first of the fall of the year 1781 in the same company of militia commanded by either by Captain Richard Allen or Captain Creed Haskins as they both were in the detachment of militia then ordered to the siege of York from Cumberland County. That the detachment was commanded by Colonel Henry Skipwith. That the said Leonard Daniel & the said Richard Taylor remained in the service together until the surrender of Lord Cornwallis when this affiant was discharged and returned home – that he does not remember whether the said Richard was then discharged whether he was ordered home to Winchester with the British Prisoners. That the length of this tour was between 2 and 3 months to the best of his recollection. This affiant says he has long known the said Richard Taylor who is several years older than himself and well remembers that it was well understood and believed among the said Richard Taylor's friends and acquaintances at that time that he had been an old soldier and had served several tours of duty before the one in which they served together at the siege of York-Town.

S/ Leonard Daniel



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

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