

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Brooks S10418

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State of Virginia  
Campbell County,

On the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the justices of the court of Campbell County now setting James Brooks a resident in the County of Campbell and State aforesaid aged 72 in the month of June last, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1832 That in the year 1780 he was drafted in the militia for a tour of three months, and rendezvous at New London under the Command of Capt. Leftwich, that at this time there was a call for some men to join the troop stationed at Petersburg, he among others volunteered for that service and immediately marched for that service, but on his arrival in Petersburg the Company was made out in which his services were required, he then returned to New London, and joined in a company under the command of Capt Tait [sic: probably Nathaniel Tate] & Lt. Tait [sic: Tate], and march to Hillsborough, in North Carolina, (Capt Leftwich have march'd from New London before his return from Petersburg) from Hillsborough to deep River, near the Battle called Gates' defeat [defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780], from thence he returned to Virginia and was discharged from that Tour by Col. [William] Callaway. That he served one month at New London under Capt. Cundiff guarding deserters & Tories. That in 1781 about the first of April he was drafted for a six months Tour under the command of Capt. Pate Lt. Plummer Thurston and Ensign \_\_\_ Perryman, the rendezvous was at Capt Thomas Leftwich in Bedford County, (the County of Campbell having been since taken off of Bedford) from thence we marched to Salisbury [sic: Salisbury] in North Carolina, where there were five or six companies, which we joined under the command of Major [Charles] Rose & Major Ward, - from thence we marched to 96 [Ninety Six SC, possibly at the siege, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781], from thence to Camden in South Carolina where he was discharged, but what has become of his discharge he knows not, but recollects that he received a written one, That he had been at home about a week when he was drafted for a three months tour under Capt Bullock and he thinks Lt. Parker & Ensign Joseph Stith, he marched to York Town and there continued until the surrender of Cornwallis [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] which he saw. he saw Washington & Lafayette there a few days after which he was discharged at Williamsburg. That he still lives in the County of Campbell within one & a half miles of where he was born and raised, he has no documentary evidence that [blank] are the only witnesses known or recollected by him now living by whom he can prove his services. 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 and subscribed the day a year aforesaid

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I hereby certify that James Brooks was a soldier in the revolutionary war, that he served a tour of three months at York Town where I served at the same time, that I believe he served the different tours mentioned in his declaration. The reason why I believe so is that when he and myself were not in the service of our country, we lived together in the same house, consequently I had a good opportunity of knowing when he was in service, and to the best of my recollection he performed the services stated in his declaration. Given under my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of Jan. 1833

[signed] Nelson Brooks [pension application W5912]