

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Parker S1243

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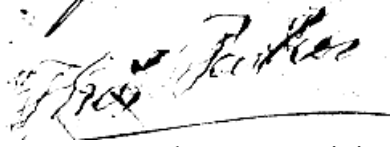
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State of Kentucky County of Jefferson

On this 15th day of July 1833 personally appeared before me Samuel D. Vance and James Pomeroy two of the Judges of the County Court of Jefferson County Thomas Parker a resident of Jefferson County and State of Kentucky aged seventy-six years on the 19th of February last past who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the 2nd Virginia Regiment of the Continental Army of the United States in the fall of the year 1775 for the term of 2 years and served under the following named officers viz. Brigadier General Weeden [George Weedon], Colonel Alexr Spotsard [Alexander Spotswood] and Captain Hawes [Samuel Hawes, Junior] and served out his full time of two years and received a written discharge which has been lost, that he resided in the County of Caroline in the State of Virginia at the time of his enlistment and then marched to Williamsburg the place appointed for us to rendezvous where we joined the regular Army; while in Williamsburg we received orders to join the Northern Army which we did at Philadelphia Pennsylvania & from thence we marched to Princeton New Jersey where we joined General Putnam from thence we marched to a little village on Rallayton River [?] from thence to the Heights of York, while at the Heights of York we received information of the probable intention of the enemy attacking Phad^a [sic, abbreviation of Philadelphia?]¹ we were then Counter marched to Phila. [Philadelphia] & through to Brandywine where we had an engagement [September 11, 1777] under the command of General George Washington, and after the Battle we retreated to a place called White Marsh as well as I now recollect and from thence we marched to Germantown where we had an engagement [October 4, 1777] under the command of General George Washington and from thence, we retreated to a place as well as I now recollect called Valley Forge in New Jersey where I got my discharge. And this applicant further states that he served three or four years in the militia which he does not think necessary to particularize at the present stage of the investigation of his claims as he expects his name will be found upon the rolls in the War Department. This applicant states that he joined the Army at as first or orderly Sergeant in which capacity he served till he joined the northern Army, he was then promoted to Sergeant Major in which capacity he served upwards of twelve months and until he was discharged. 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 in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thos. Parker

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Thos. Parker", written over a horizontal line.

[Samuel D. Vance and James Pomeroy gave the courts opinion that the veteran did in fact served as he states.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$120 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a Sergeant for 2 years in the Virginia service.]