

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Elisha Adams S12903

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Virginia Franklin County Sct This 3rd day of June 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the county Court of Franklin now seting, Elisha Adams a resident of said county and state aforesaid aged seventy[?] years or thereabouts born as he is informed in Charlotte Va but has no register of his age – who being first duly sworn according to Law on his oath doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States and served as herein stated – that at the age of about 16 at the time Cornwallace invaded Virginia [sic: Cornwallis, May 1781] – he marched with a company from Bedford County Va commanded by Capt Alexander Cummings to Fluvana [sic: Fluvanna] County Va where he joined the American Army under the orders at that place of Gen'l [Robert] Lawson & the Baron Steauban [sic: Baron von Steuben] & others — That he was in the action fought at the point of fork, in Fluvana [at the confluence of James and Rivanna rivers, 5-6 Jun 1781] that he remained three months in service – under Lawson & others as aforesaid – pursuing & retreating alternately from the enemy that at the end of his term for which he voluntarily agreed to serve he was discharged – On his way to returning home he substituted for one Wm Coutts [William Coutts] and again marched in a company the capt of which was Sigmond Carter he remembers he was marched to ~~Richmond~~ and was stationed one month at Marbin Hills [sic: Malvern Hill 15 mi SE of Richmond] in he thinks Henrico County – the regement was commanded by Colo Henry Skipworth [sic: Henry Skipwith] he was discharged near pomonkey [sic: Pamunkey] river after a service of three months during this service which was also as above three months he was nearly all the time boman [bowman] for Colo Skipworth – Maj'r. Samuel Mitchell a member of Bedford County court the Rev'd Wm Leftwich of Bedford and John Hudnall of said County all Whigs during the revolution and good citizens he believes remembers him well and he refers to them for additional proof as required – He also files the affidavit of Capt Thos Pullen [Thomas Pullen, pension application S15847] to prove his services – He has lost all his discharges if he ever had any given him & has no documentary evidence – he states that he afterwards served ten weeks at new London guarding the magazines, at new London Va in Bedford county [now in Campbell County] the county he lived in — He hereby relinquishes all claim 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.

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NOTE: Thomas Pullen and John Hudnall (pension application W25806) each certified Adam's service in guarding the magazine.