

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Valentine Ball S16317

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State of Kentucky } Sctt

Campbell County }

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February in the year 1833 personally appeared before me William Northcut a Justice of the peace in and for said County of Campbell, Valentine Ball a resident of said county of Campbell & State of Kentucky aged Seventy Eight 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 act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 –

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That early in the time of the War of the American Revolution (the year not recollected with certainty) in the County of Chesterfield in the state of Virginia where he then resided, he volunteered as a private militia man & joined a Company commanded by Capt. Frank Good [sic: Francis Goode] & entered the service of the United States in said volunteer company for two years it was the first or about the first company that turn'd out in that part of the country in time of the revolutionary war, within said two years he march'd. with said Capt & his company to Williamsburgh [sic: Williamsburg] Va & served there in guarding the post at that place for three months & then they all return'd home, & after remaining at home some short time he was again march'd. with said Company to Portsmouth Va. & there served under said Capt. three months more in guarding the port & military stores at that place. while at Portsmouth they were under Col. Meredith & while he was at Williamsburgh he thinks they were under Gen'l. Ch's. Scott [Charles Scott] (as said Scott was there) after returning home from Portsmouth the Company of Capt Good was dissolved & they fell back among the common militia – and some time in the next year as well as he recollects after his service terminated at Portsmouth he volunteered in said county of Chesterfield to serve a tour of three months duty under Capt Richard Hill & served said tour by being march'd to a place on the Appomattox [sic: Appomattox] river near its mouth called Hoods & served said tour there in guarding that place & its vicinity under said Hill there being no field officers or superior commander there – after serving said tour he return'd Home – Some time after [illegible word] he again volunteered to serve another tour of three months under Capt Rich'd Baugh [Richard Baugh] in s'd County of Chesterfield & served it by marching to Williamsburgh Va. & in guarding that place & the vicinity, after which term of service expired he returned home. Some time afterward the length of time not recollected, he again volunteered as a private in a horse or Dragoon Company for 3 months commanded by Capt Obediah Smith & entered the service under s'd Smith in said County of Chesterfield & march'd down upon James River & upon the Appomattocks river & served in guarding that part of the country in keeping back the British they served as a flying corps. Soon after which the war closed & his services ended.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can Testify to his service – and 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 & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Valentine hisXmark Ball