

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas George S16821

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[Punctuation edited.]

Commonwealth of Kentucky, Oldham County. Ss.

On this 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared, before the Hon'le. the Judge of the Circuit Court of the State, and County aforesaid now sitting Thomas George a resident of said State, and County, aged 72 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 the 7th day of June 1832.

That (agreeable to his Father's register) he was born in the year 1759 Oct. 17th in the state of Virginia, and County of Amelia. That he removed from Amelia County on the first day of Novem'r. 1776 to Lunenburg County, in in the same State, where he resided when he first entered the service of the united states; and some time in the summer, or autumn of 1778 he was drafted in the state Militia for the defence of Norfolk, and Williamsburg, and ordered out for termn of three months – was discharged at Charles City (County) Courthouse some few days before the termn of tour expired (perhaps 10 or 12 days) – and that in December 1780 he intered the sevice as a Volunteer in a Company raised by Capt. Silvanus Walker [sic: Sylvanus Walker] – 1 Lieut. James Speed – 2nd Lieut. Matthew F. Murry, Ensign Peter Stokes (this Co. was raised in the Counties of Lunenburg & Mecklenburg) and marched from thence to meet and aid Gen'l. Green [sic: Nathanael Greene], who was then [Feb 1781] flying before the Enemy for want of Troops, and in the Month of February 1781 Capt. Walker with his company joined Gen'l. Green's Head Quarters at the Red House in Caswell County, North Carolina (known by the name of Dobbins's) Thence the Army Marched in Several zig-zag direction, until Wednesday evening March 14th camped at Guilford Courthouse. on Thursday 15th about between 11 Oclo. A.M. and 1 P.M. the American Army Commanded by Gen'l. Green and the British army Commaned by Lord Cornwallace [sic: Cornwallis] met on an imminace in the Woods, some small distance S. of Guilford Courthouse in said State of N. Carolina, when and where a bloody ingagement took place [Battle of Guilford Courthouse] & continued several Hours, in which Lieutenant Speed rec. a wound through his right side a little below his Ribbs, Lieutenant Murry a ball through his left hip (and by the vigilence of friends both brought off the field of action. The American army retreated to Frock's Iron works [Speedwell's Iron Works of Troublesome Creek about 15 mi NE] — distance from the scene of action and continued at said rendizvouse untill Monday the 19th of March [sic], on which day Gen'l. Green with the American Brigadier Gen'l [Edward] Stevens, Colo. Nathaniel Cock [sic: Nathaniel Cocke], Capt. Silvanus Walker, &c &c to whose Brigade, Ridgmt, and Company this applicant was attached, took up the line of March in pursuit in Enemy – over Took some Scouts at Ramsy's Mills [sic: Ramsey's Mill on Deep River, 19 Mar 1781] whare scrimmish took place. Thence marched in various rouits untell the 8th of Sept 1781 met at Eutaw Springs when and where the American army Commanded by Gen'l. Green and the British under Lord Cornwallace [sic: Col. Alexander Stewart] again confronted each other in a bloody conflict of several hours in which this applicant was and was discharged some time in the Month of sep't. 1781, but through Lapse of time have lost or mislaid his discharges. He also states that he has no other evidence of his service as a revolutionary Soldier except that of Capt. Thomas Gains [sic: Thomas Gaines, pension application W11048], whose affidavit and Statement is herewith transmitted to the department. He hereby relinquishes all & every claim what ever to a pention or annuity except the present, and declares that his name (to his knowledge or belief) is not on any Pention or agency of any state in the union.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written

Thomas George

N.B. The Touer 1778 was under Cap. Wm. Munford [William Munford] Lieut. Rich'd. Dennis [Richard Dennis]. field officers not Remembered TG

NOTE: On 9 Sep 1839 Thomas George applied to have his pension transferred to Indiana, having moved to Jefferson County because it would be “more convenient to draw his pension than to travel from Trimble County Ky to Lexington and more consonant with his advanced age.”