

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Rudd S17065

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State of Virginia Prince Edward County SS

On this 21st day of February 1835 personally appeared before me William T Wooten a Justice of the peace in and for the said County John Rudd Senior Resident of said County aged 74 years who from old age and bodily infirmity and from the inclemency of the weather could not travel to Court and 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 7th of June 1832.

That he was drafted in a militia Tower [tour] of six weeks in the Revolutionary War sometime in the month of April 1779 and marched from the County of Chesterfield in the Company commanded by Captain Creed Haskins and Lieutenant John Robertson to Williamsburg and from that to little York where we were discharged after serving our full term of six weeks, the Evidence of which will appear from the Accompanying Certificate of Leonard Cliburn¹ – And in the month of June 1779 we were called out again when he marched from the County of Chesterfield in a company commanded by Captain Cheatham to Williamsburg where we were attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Good [Robert Goode] and marched from that to Yorktown in from that to Hampton where we were discharged after serving our full tower of six weeks by said Robert Good the evidence of this will appear from the accompanying certificate of John Mohon.² And in the month of October 1780 he was drafted in a militia tower of six weeks and marched from the County of Chesterfield and a company commanded by Captain Patterson to little York and from that to Hobb's hole [Hobb's Hole] and from that to Smithfield and from that to little York again where we were discharged after serving out for tower of six weeks the evidence of which will appear from the accompanying certificate of Josiah Fowlkes³ – And in the month of February 1781 he moved to the County of Prince Edward and some time the 1st of May 1781 when Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] was marching his troops up James River towards point of Fork a draft took place in the County when he was from home and he was drafted to go and on returning home he was ordered to join Captain Jamison from Charlotte as he was marching through the County and we were marched a cross James River to Holliford on Chickahominy and from that to the Morban Hills [Malvern Hills] where we were stationed until the 20th of July when we were discharged after serving our full tower of two months but he does not know of any person living in this section of the country by whom he can prove his service or discharge in this tower and that he never served in any other capacity but

¹ Leonard Claiborne or Cliborne FPA W3388

² [John Mohon S5781](#)

³ FPA S16804

that of a Common Soldier – and in answer to the different interrogatories prescribed by the War Department he answers thus

Question 1 & 2 where and in what year were you born

Ans. – Agreeable to a Register kept by my father he was born in the County of Chesterfield in the year 1761

Question 3, where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live

Ans. I lived in the County of Chesterfield in the time of the Revolutionary War until February 1781 I moved to the County of Prince Edward where I now live.

Question 4 How were you called into service were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute

Ans. I was drafted in each tower

Question 5 State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where you served and such Continental and Militia regiments as you can recollect and the General Circumstances of your Service.

Ans. I were always called out in cases of emergency and cannot say much about them.

Question 6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Ans. I never received any written discharge but were always mustered out and discharged by the officers commanding.

Question 7 State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a Soldier of the Revolution

Ans. I am known in my present neighborhood by the Reverend Daniel Witt Simeon Walton & Littleberry Clark.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ John Rudd

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Rudd". The ink is dark and the signature is written over a light-colored background.

[Daniel Witt, a clergyman, Simeon Walton & Littleberry Clark gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I Leonard Cliborne of the County of Buckingham State of Virginia do hereby certify that John Rudd of the County of Prince Edward (now applicant) was drafted in a militia tower of six weeks sometime in the month of April 1779 and marched in company with me in a company commanded by Captain Creed Haskins from the County of Chesterfield to Williamsburg and from that to little York where we were discharged after serving our full tower of six weeks. Given under my hand this 13th day of November 1834.

S/Leonard Clibourn, X his mark

I Josiah Fowlkes of the County of Prince Edward and State of Virginia do hereby certify that John Rudd of the County of Prince Edward in State of Virginia (now Applicant) was drafted

in a militia Tower of six weeks in the Revolutionary War sometime in the month of October 1780 and was attached to a company commanded by Captain Patterson of the County of Chesterfield and marched from that County to Little York and from that to Hobses Hole and from that to Smithfield and from that to Little York where we were discharged after serving his full term of 6 weeks. Given under my hand this 30th day of July 1834

S/ Josiah Fowlkes, X his mark

I John Mohon of the County of Lunenburg and State of Virginia do hereby Certify that John Rudd of the County of Prince Edward and State of Virginia (now Applicant) was drafted in the Militia tower of six weeks in the Revolutionary War some time about the last of May or June 1779 and marched from the County of Chesterfield in company with me, in a Company commanded by Captain Henry Cheatham to Williamsburg where we were attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Robert Good and marched from that to Yorktown and from that to Hampton where, after serving our full tower we were discharged by Colonel Goode. Given under my hand this 6th day of August 1834.

S/ John Mohon, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 6 days in the Virginia militia.]