

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Breeding S17862

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State of Virginia, New Kent County towit

On this 17th day of March 1834 personally appeared in open Court before Wm. H. Macon, Beverly Crump, R'd. Graves, Jno. A Taylor & Tho. H Terrell the Court of said County now sitting John Breeding a resident of said County and State aged Seventy six years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit fo the act of Congress passed 7th June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated according to the best of his recollection at this time, That he entered the service as a militiaman from the County of New Kent (the time of entering not recollected) under Captain George Baker of said County and served a tour of three months, he was at different times during the tour stationed at Williamsburg and York Town Va. and at the latter place was discharged – he recollects that Colo. Richmond Allen was one of the officers in command

That he was again called out as a militiaman from the said County of New Kent and served another tour of three months under Captain John Bacon of said County and was stationed the greater part of this tour in and about Williamsburg Va. and was discharged.

That he was again called out as a militiaman from the County of New Kent and served another tour of three months under Captain George Baker of said County and was stationed about a mile or two above Williamsburg Va. and was discharged but a short time before the seige of York Town [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] – from the length of time and old age and consequent loss of memory he is unable to say at what time he entered the service of the different Tours he has mentioned but as to the duration thereof he is positive – he recollects among some of the officers under whom he served the names of Gen'l. [Thomas] Nelson and a Major Ragsdale – he has no written discharge – he was drafted from the Militia of the County of New Kent – that he was in no battle. That he knows of no person living in the County except James Williams and Edward Slater who knows of his having served in the army and their certificates accompany this his declaration.

To the Interrogatories directed by the war department to be propounded to every applicant he answers – That he was born in the year 1757

That he has no record of his age the same having been destroyed.

That he was living in the County of New Kent when called into service & has continued to live in said County to this time.

That he was drafted from the militia as stated in his declaration

That he has stated in his declaration the names of some of the Officers as well as he recollects

That he never did receive a written discharge

That he is known to Edward Slater and James Williams who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution and that Colo. William H. Macon the presiding member of this Court will also certify as to his character and his belief of his services.

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 any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid John hisXmark Breeding