

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Solomon H. Elam S17940

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Elam Solomon H.

S17940 Va

(P2 certificate cover)

27.253 Solomon H Elam admitted as private 2 years \$80.

(p3) State of Virginia, County of Charlotte S S

On this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 1833 personally appeared before me, William Bacon, a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid Solomon H Elam a resident of the County of Charlotte and State of Virginia aged seventy five years in this ~~month~~ (October) 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 enlisted in the army of the United States in the month of March and year 1776 or 1777 with Capt John Brent, Lieutenants Edmund Read and Thomas Spencer & Ensign Joseph Holt and marched under them from Charlotte Court House in Virginia in the month of March to Portsmouth Virginia and was then attached to the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment of Regulars commanded by Co<sup>l</sup> Lawson under Samuel Stephens, our regiment remained at Portsmouth till the fall of that year during which time I had a severe spell of sickness and was permitted to return home on furlough and joined the regiment some time in the winter at a place called Chatham in the State of New Jersey

(p4) and remained there until the next spring. We were then principally in the States of Maryland Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He was engaged in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown and was discharged at Valley Forge in the state of Pennsylvania in the month of March 1778 or 1779 having served two years. He was born in the County of Charlotte then resided there up to that time. His discharge was been lost long since and does not recollect by whom it was given. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn and subscribed,

Solomon H. Elam x his mark

The day aforesaid

W<sup>m</sup> Bacon

[routine certification]

(p5 ff) routine supporting statements

(p9) Virginia certificate \$80/annum

[Ed. Note: Historical accuracy of officer names confirmed for Capt John Brent, Ensign Joseph Holt, Col Joseph Lawson, Lt Edmund Read, and Lt Thomas Spencer of the 4<sup>th</sup> Virginian.]