

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elias Love S18092

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Service of Virginia, Elias Love. Number 18092.

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Virginia 16.956

Elias Love

So ampton [sic, Southampton] in the State of Virginia

Who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain \_\_ of the Pugh commanded by Col. Parker in the Virginia line for 17 months: 9 days

Inscribed on the roll of Virginia of the rate 57 dollars 66 cents per annum to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of pension issued the 18 day of Oct. [1833]	\$144.15
Semi-annl. [semi-annual] allowance ending 4 Mar. '34	28.83
	\$172/98
	Revolutionary Claim, Act June 7, 1832

Recorded by Nath. Pice Clerk,  
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See letter to J. S. French, Oct. 14 1837

DEAD

Paid at the Treasury under the Act of the 6 April 1838 from 4 Sep. 1835 to 17th of Sept. 1836 the day of his death Agt [Agent] notified 2 July 1840

Paid as above from 4 Sept 1835 to 17 Sept 1836 the day of his death Agt [Agent] notified 30<sup>th</sup> [? could be 20<sup>th</sup>] Decr. 1840

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Jerusalem Southampton  
Sept. 11, 1837

James L. Edwards Esqr.  
Sir,

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Elias Love who was placed on the Pension list as a Virginia Contl. [Continental Soldier] Oct. 18 1833 died about a year since entitled, it is represented to me to a year's pensions. He left 3 children, two sons who emigrated to the west. Their place of residence unknown, and a daughter who resides here a widow with a family dependent entirely on her-for their support. She desires to be informed as she cannot find out where her brothers reside whether she can draw the pittance to which she would be entitled, or in any manner obtain the whole, as she is satisfied that her brothers would cheerfully give it, if they could be found.

Yours Res.

James S. French

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Treasury department

Second Comptroller's Office,

June 13, 1840

Sir:

Under the act of April 1838 entitled "An act directing transfer of money remaining unclaimed by certain Pensioners and authorizing the payment of the same at the Treasury of the United States, " one of the 4# children of Elias Love, a Pensioner on the Roll of Richmond Virginia Agency at the rate of fifty seven dollars and sixty six Cents per annum under the law of the 7th June, 1832, has been paid at this Department from the 4<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1835 to the 17th of Sept. 1836, the day of his death

Respectfully yours

Albion K. Parris,

Comptroller

To the Commissioner of Pensions, Present.

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State of Virginia Southampton County

On this 20th of August, 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the County Court sitting, the court of Southampton now sitting Elias Love a resident of the parish of Nottoway in the county afore said in the state afore said aged Eighty years who bring 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 of June 1832.

That he <sup>was born in</sup> — entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That is the said Love entered the service <sup>as a private</sup> under the command of Colonel Josiah Parker (in the militia service) <sup>of the State of Virginia from the County aforesaid</sup> in the year 1777 and served at different times through the war under the command of Colonel Benjamin Blunt, Col. William Edmunds, Col Gaskins Captains, merry [sic, Merry] — Jessee Whitehead, John Rodgers, \_\_\_ Nichols, John Simmons, Lewis Joyner, Abraham Mitchel ,Lieutenant

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Richard Blow, lieutenant Clemons Butts Cummings, Howel Myrick Elias Herring Colonel Samuel Kellon. That the said Love served at different times under the command of the

forenamed officers. That he was in service under the command of Samuel Kellon at the attack by the English in the town of Petersburg General Mulingburg [sic, Muhlenberg] and Stuben [sic, Steuben] commanding officers. That said Love was in a skirmish on a foraging party with the enemy on James River the same year the attack was made on Petersburg that during his service he marched through the counties of Southampton Surry Isle of Wight Nansemond, Norfolk, Prince George . Sussex, Dinwiddie, Chesterfield, James City Charles City Warren, Hanover & New Kent that said Love was in the service as a militiaman under command of Captain Jesse Whitehead at the time that Cornwallace [sic, Cornwallis] was captured at York and was on the way to that place at that time and was discharged three days after the

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Capture of Cornwallace at York Town. That said Love resided in county of Southampton at the time he entered the service. That he was all ways called in the service from the said county -- that the tours of duty on which he was called out, were of various length, but in the whole he is satisfied, he served more than two years, having been called out in 1777 and served in frequent expeditions in each year until October 1781, & that he received no written discharge from his captain.

He hereby relinquishes any claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ Elias Love, X his mark

We Simon Muffle a clergyman residing in the county of Southampton and John Urquhart residing in the same county hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Elias Love who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be 80 years of age that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution & that in concurrence that.

S/ S. Murfee

S/ Jno. Urquhart

Sworn to & submitted the day & year aforesaid

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Mr. William I. Love,  
Box 11  
Nashville Tenn.

March 24 1931

Rev. & 1812 Wars Section  
ADY

Dear Sir:

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary war pension claim, 8.18092, that Elias Love was born in 1750. Place not stated.

While a resident of Southampton County, Va., he enlisted in 1777 and served at various times, amounting to about two years in all, as a private in the Virginia Militia under Captains Merry, Jesse Whitehead, John Rodgers, Joshua Nichols, John Simmons, Lewis Joyner, Abraham Mitchel, Samuel Kellon, Edmund Tyler, Elias Herring, Cummings, John Taylor and Colonels Josiah Parker, Benjamin Blunt, William Edmunds, Gaskins, Book Wells, was in the battle of Petersburg and a skirmish on James River and discharged in 1781.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 20 1832, while a resident of Parrish of Nottoway, Southampton County, Virginia.

He died September 17, 1838, place not stated.

In 1837, a daughter , a widow with a family, was residing in Jerusalem Southampton Co. Virginia and soldier's two sons were referred to, their ages and names not given.

Truly yours,

E. W. Morgan

Acting commissioner.

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Supplemented by Will Graves 9/18/10

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The amended declaration of Elias Love as to the 1, 2 & 7 interrogatories prescribed by the war department. The Declarant says that he was born in the year 1750. That he has no record of his age. That he is known to many Gentlemen of intelligence and distinction who are willing to certify to their belief of his age & services as a soldier of the Revolution Sct. John Urquhart Esquire, who has signed the above certificate, John Y Mason<sup>2</sup> (Representative in Congress), Doctor Alfred Glove, S. W.[?] Bergess [? Burgess?], Dr. R. A. Urquhart, Lieut. Kellow of the U. S. Army, Mr. John Boykin, Mr. G. G. G. Gray and for further particulars as to the periods of the Revolution at which he served he avails himself of the certificate as furnished by the war Department as tis impossible for him from lapse of time & infirmity to the more concise.

Personally appeared before may the undersigned a Justice of the peace for the County of Southampton Elias Love who being duly sworn deposeseth & saith that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear more positively than he has done to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than two years and always as a private militia man & for such service he claims a pension.

S/ G. G. G. Gray, JP

Apr. 27, 1833

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Southampton County To wit this will day came John H. Pond<sup>3</sup> before us and made oath that he served with Elias Love in the Revolutionary War at the following places, viz., at Petersburg,

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<sup>2</sup> MASON, John Young, a Representative from Virginia; born near Hicksford (now Emporia), Greensville County, Va., April 18, 1799; was graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1816; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1819 and commenced practice in Hicksford, Va.; member of the State house of delegates 1823-1827; served in the State senate 1827-1831; elected as a Jacksonian to the Twenty-second, Twenty-third, and Twenty-fourth Congresses and served from March 4, 1831, until his resignation January 11, 1837; chairman, Committee on Foreign Affairs (Twenty-fourth Congress); appointed United States district judge for the eastern district of Virginia in 1837; delegate to the State constitutional conventions of 1829 and 1850; appointed Secretary of the Navy in the Cabinet of President John Tyler and served from March 14, 1844, to March 10, 1845, and again in the Cabinet of President James K. Polk from September 9, 1846, to March 7, 1849; Attorney General of the United States from March 11, 1845, to September 9, 1846; resumed the practice of law in Richmond, Va., 1849-1854; appointed United States Minister Plenipotentiary to France on January 22, 1854, and served until his death, in Paris, France, on October 3, 1859; his remains were conveyed to the United States and interred in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Va. <http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=M000220>

<sup>3</sup> FPA S18165

Richmond, Norfolk, Babbs, Jericho, & Suffolk but under what particular officers at the above stated places from time and loss of memory is impossible for me to state, – Sworn & subscribed to before us this 12th day of June 1833.

We also certify that John H Pond is a man of credibility, and what he says is entitled to full credit. Given under my hand & seal this 12th day of June 1833

S/ Benj. Griffin, JP

S/ Silas Summerville [?], JP

Statement of Elias Love's Service as a private in the militia Service of the Sate of Virginia during the revolutionary War

Capt.	Place or Places where service was performed	? with whether in Field or garrison & authority by which they were called out	Whether in civil employment during term of Service	Length of Tower [sic, Tour]
Capt. Edmund Tyler in 1777	Near Norfolk at the time it was burned by the British	With the militia of the state called out by authority Col. Josiah Parker commanding	In no civil employment	Six weeks
Capt. Samuel Kellon	Stationed on the Road from Smithfield to Black water from thence removed to the Banks of James watching the enemy's moves	With the militia called out by authority	In no civil employment	Six weeks
Capt Elias Herring	On the Banks of James River on the look out & at Cabbin Point [sic, Cabin Point]	With the militia as above stated Col. Book Wells commanding	In no civil employment	Six Weeks
Capt. ___ Cummings	At Babbs old Field in Nansemond Suffolk & Jericho	With the militia and commanded by Maj. Decloman [sic,?]	In no civil employment	Six Weeks
Capt. Abraham Mitchel Lieut. Clemmons Butts	At Murdaugh's in Nansemond & at Gray's mills & in flying parties on the Nansemond River	With small detachments of militia Col. Parker commanding called out by authority	In no civil employment	Six Weeks
Capt. John	In the county of	With small	In no civil	Six weeks

Simmons	Prince George on James River & at Cabin Point from thence to Babbs old Filed & in flying parties through the country	detachments of militia called out by authority	employment	
Capt. John Taylor	At the old Gliab [?] in Nansemond County & on the River on the look out	With militia as above Do do	In no civil employment	Six weeks
Capt. John Taylor,	Another tour as the above	Do do	In no civil employment	Six weeks
Capt John Rodgers	At Babbs old Field, at South Quay in Nansemond	With the militia called out Col. Blunt commanding	In no civil employment	Six weeks
Capt. Joshua Nichols	At Surry courthouse & cabin Point at which Place Nichols died & Howe Mirick [Myrick] took command & we went to the Benjamin House & Smithfield	With the militia called out by authority	In no civil employment	Eight weeks
Lieut. Samuel Kellon	At Cabin Point & Petersburg in the engagement there at Richmond, Chesterfield courthouse the Coal Pits & down on the North side of James River to York thence back to Richmond	With the militia of the State of Petersburg [sic] & the detached parties afterwards commanded by General Mulinburg [sic] at Petersburg & Maj. Decloman	In no civil employment	More than two months
Capt. Lewis Joyner	On Blackwater & the Road to Smithfield & on Nansemond River	With the detachment of militia called out by authority	In no civil employment	One month
Capt. Jesse Whitehead	At Means Mills getting timber when C. Wallace [Cornwallis] was	With the militia of the State called out by authority Col.	In no civil employment	Five weeks

	captured at York	Josiah Parker commanding		
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Total amount of time as stated above

1 year & 7  
months

The applicant cannot state the different years he entered on the different tours as above stated & although he served many tours which he cannot state with sufficient certainty to comply with the requisites of the war Department he is certain of the above statement but cannot state them as they occurred in succession.

S/ Elias Love, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$57.66 per annum commencing March 4th 1831, for 17 months and 9 days service as a private in the Virginia militia.]