

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Philip Pendleton S18157

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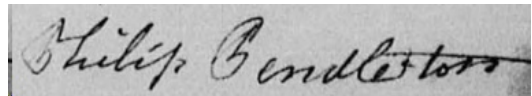
On this first day of October 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the County Court of Spotsylvania, and State of Virginia, Philip Pendleton, a resident of and in the County of Spotsylvania, aged Seventy four years, who being first duly [sworn] according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Provisions made by the act of Congress, passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the United States, in the year 1775, with Captain George Stubblefield [VAS1818], and served in the [blank] regiment of the [blank] Line under the following named officers. In the Year 1775 he enlisted as a minute man for 12 months, under Captain George Stubblefield; (He the said Stubblefield entered into the Regular service.) He then was under the Command of Captain Francis Taliaferro, under whom he went to Hampton. The commanding officer at that time was Major [Andrew] Buchanan. Having served in that tour, He went Volunteer under Captain J. Craig [John Craig], to Williamsburg and was out about 50 days. In his next Tour he went as a militia man, under Captain Harry Stubblefield [Henry Stubblefield], after which he served under Captain Francis Coleman, and they were under Major McWilliams [William McWilliams R1410], and Hardiman [sic: John Hardyman R14719] a little before the close of the War, after which I went with a party of the Prisoners under Captain Thomas Croutcher [Thomas Croucher] to Nolins ferry [sic: Noland's Ferry on Potomac River].

The commanding Officer in the minute service was Colonel [Hugh] Mercer. He has no Revolutionary Papers whatsoever. He has no farther recollection of the Dates and Days of His several entrances & Discharges.

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

Sworn to, and subscribed the day, and Year aforesaid



The declaration of the aforesaid Philip Pendleton amended

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Spotsylvania County } Personally appeared in open Court the said Pendleton (the Justices then and there sitting this 3 day of June 1833) as the County Court of Spotsylvania) who being sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he can not swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For one month and twenty days as a minute man and for twelve months he served as an enlisted soldier and for said service he claims a pension. He has no witnesses whatever —

And then the Court propounded these interrogatories to which the said Pendleton made these answers —

Where and in what year were you born?

Ans'r. I was born in Spotsylvania County Va. April 6<sup>th</sup> 1758

Have you any record of your age and if so where is it

Ans'r. I have it in the family record at home—

Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolutionary war

and where do you now live

Ans'w'r. I live in Spotsylvania Co. Va. and have always lived there

How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if so for whom?

Ans'r. As I have stated in my declaration. I never was a substitute

State the names of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and Militia regiments as you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your services.

Ans'r. I have stated them as well as I can recollect in my declaration

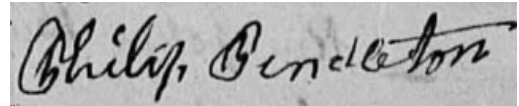
Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it

Ans'r. I never received a discharge if I did 'tis lost

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

Ans'r. Rev. John Billingsley, Rev Thomas Caron, Col Crutchfield, Capt Towles and generally to the whole County.

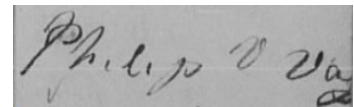
And the said Philip Pendleton did here in open Court make Oath to the truth of his said statement, and to the Answers to said interrogatories



Further amendment

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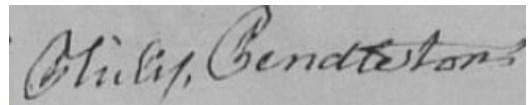
On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 1833 personally appeared before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for said County Philip Vass [Philip V. Vass S19493] aged Seventy who being first sworn deposeth and saith – that I was out as a soldier with Philip Pendleton aforesaid in the tour with Captain Francis Coleman under the command of Col Merewether [sic: Thomas Meriwether] in the time of the retreat. And I do further state that I lived in the immediate neighborhood of the said Pendleton and I well know that he served as he has stated in his declaration, from the time he enlisted as a minute man to the time he came from Nollings ferry.



[On 15 Mar 1834 Pendleton received a pension certificate for \$25.55 per year for serving 7 $\frac{2}{3}$  months. The file includes a letter dated 21 Sep 1834 to the Pension Commissioner, James L. Edwards, enquiring why Pendleton's pension had been suspended, noting that he was a respected Baptist minister. The following indicates the reason.]

Declaration again Amended this 3rd Mar. 1834

I Philip Pendleton do hereby depose in amendment of said declaration, that I enlisted as a minute man as I have before stated for 12 mos. I did not mean to say that I did actual service during this period, but I was liable to do so – but during this enlistment I did perform Six or Eight months of actual duty and service, and whenever I was absent twas[?] by leave of my Captain. My memory is so impaired that I cannot make a more specific statement



NOTE: A letter from the Pension Office dated 22 Apr 1856 stated that the children of Philip Pendleton, not being minors, were not entitled to bounty land.