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Pension application of William Cammack S24944

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indcipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

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Spotsylvania County to wit

I Thomas Minor<sup>1</sup> of the County aforesaid, being seventy-nine years of age, who certify that I was acquainted with George and William Camack [sic] of the County of Caroline, that in the early part of the war of the Revolution they enlisted as soldiers, though do not recollect the time, whether they enlisted for three years or during the war and that they went to the South – I recollect seeing William Camack after the war, and that he was lame in his knee, which I understood was caused by a wound while in the service of his country – Given under my hand this 28th day of November 1832.

S/ Tho. Minor, [X his mark]

I concur in the above Certificate to the best of my recollection November 29, 1832

S/ Benja. Alsop<sup>2</sup>

[p 27: copy: an image of the original posted [but illegible] at [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I David Stern<sup>3</sup> of the County of Caroline and State of Virginia do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with William Cammack, and George Cammack that they enlisted in the American Army during the Revolutionary war in the year 1780 and served in the southern war for 18 months and that William Cammack was wounded in the right knee at the battle of Guilford Court House North Carolina, and they served under the command of Colonel Campbell and to the best of my knowledge they served in the 3rd Detachment detached from Virginia. I do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with John Cammack and that he is the brother of the before named William and George Cammack. Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of March 1835

S/ David Stern

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To the Executive of Virginia

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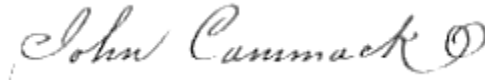
<sup>1</sup> [Thomas Minor W5374](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Benjamin Alsop S9269](#)

<sup>3</sup> [David Stern \(Sterne\) W25145](#)

The Memorial of John Cammack; -- your memorialist [paper torn and text missing] he is a resident of the town of Portsmouth in the County of [paper torn and text missing] State of Virginia -- That a certain William Cammack and George [paper torn and text missing] both enlisted in the American Army in the year 1780 and served [paper torn and text missing] end of the war -- that William Cammack was wounded in the right k[paper torn and text missing] at the Battle of Guilford Court House North Carolina, that they served under the command of Colonel Campbell [Lt. Col. Richard Campbell of the 1<sup>st</sup> VA Regiment]-- That William Cammack died without leaving issue, and left your memorialist is [text obliterated] at law -- That George Cammack died leaving children, who lived in the State of Louisiana, and have not been heard from for the last 16 years, and it is believed, that all of his said children are dead and natural memorialist is his only heir at law. Your memorialist begs leave to present this his Memorial to the executive of Virginia, and ask for such an allowance of land and money as may be due him as the heir at law of the said William and George Cammack -- Your memorialist begs leave to state that his Excellency the Governor of Virginia knew William Cammack, who for many years was a resident of the Borough of Norfolk.

S/ John Cammack



Norfolk County, to wit

This day John Cammack personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and made oath that he believes the facts set forth in the said corps foregoing are true. Given under my hand and seal the 13th day of [paper torn and text missing] 1835.

S/ Saml. Watts, JP

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The petitioner has not filed any proof of the term of enlistment and service of these 2 soldiers no [nor] offered any evidence whatsoever.

It appears from the Army Register of the Continental line, that William Cammack and George Cammack were both soldiers of the Continental line.

A certificate issued in the name of William Cammack a soldier of Infantry C. L. for £36 – the balance of his full pay &c; which certificate was delivered to H. Bartlett April 26, 1783.

A certificate issued in the name of George Cammack a soldier of Infantry C. L. for £27.6.8 the balance of his full pay &c; which certificate was delivered to H Bartlett April 26, 1783. (See Army Register of the Continental line)

I know of no proof of the term of enlistment and service of either of the soldiers.

Respectfully submitted

S/ John H Smith, Commissioner &c

July 1st 1835

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It appears by an obituary Notice published in the Norfolk and Portsmouth Herald of the 23rd of February 1824, in the possession of the undersigned, who is one of the proprietors of said newspaper, that William Cammack Esquire who was for many years an inhabitant of the Borough of Norfolk in the State of Virginia, died at Elizabeth City, North Carolina, on Thursday,

the 19th of February, 1824; and it was then known to the undersigned that the said William Cammack left no widow or child when he died. Given under my hand at Norfolk this 19th day of May 1837.

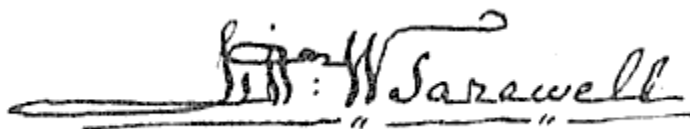
S/ Thos. G. Broughton

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I was well acquainted with the late William Cammack during his life, when I became acquainted with him, which was about the year 1802, I was informed that he had been a soldier during the war of the Revolution and had been wounded in some of the battles fought to the southward, I think in the battle of Guilford Court House – Mr. Cammack was lame when I first knew him, and so continued ever afterwards. His lameness, as I always understood and believe, was caused by the wound he had received during the Revolutionary war; and on that account he had been pensioned by the Government of the United States.

Norfolk May 19, 1837

S/ Litton W. Tazewell [Littleton Waller Tazewell]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Litton W. Tazewell". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a double line.

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Portsmouth June 26, 1837

Dear Sir

My brother William Cammack who was an invalid pensioner of the United States government died in 1824, having his pension due and owing him from March 1798. He left no widow or child, and I am his only heir. Can the pension due be paid to me as his only heir or must it be paid to the administrator of my brother. His estate is insolvent, and if it goes into the hands of the administrator, I shall never receive one cent of it. With this pension the subject to the debts of my brother. Be pleased to inform me upon the above subjects of inquiry.

Very respectfully  
John Cammack

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Cammack". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a double line.

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The State [Library of Virginia](#) in its online digital collection relating to pension claims made in that state has the following documents relating to this veteran:

I do certify that William Cammack [sic] was enlisted for 18 months & in the 1st Detachment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Campbell a Soldier in the Continental Army and that he was wounded in the year 1781 in the Action at Guilford Ct. House [Guilford Court House March 15, 1781] in North Carolina.

Given under my hand October 26, 1786.

S/ S. Hawes formerly L. Co.

1<sup>st</sup> V. Regt

I do certify that William Cammack was  
 enlisted for 18 months & in the 1<sup>st</sup> Detachment com<sup>d</sup>. by Lt. Campbell.  
 a Soldier in the Continental Army, and that  
 he was wounded in the year 1781 at the Action  
 at Guildford Courthouse in N. Carolina.  
 Given under my hand October 26<sup>th</sup> 1786.  
 J. Hawes Junr, Lt. Col.  
 1<sup>st</sup> V. Regt

On Examination of the within mentioned Person – find a Ball has passed through the right knee,  
 in consequence of which, a partial contraction is produced – the withering of the Limb is very  
 considerable = he complains of weakness in the part, which 'tis very probable may be the case, &  
 being of no trade must in some measure prevent his obtaining full support by hard labor.

S/ W. Foushee

*W. Foushee*  
 W. Foushee

Caroline April Court 1787

Ordered that the Sheriff of this County pay William Cammack the sum of 6 pounds

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Cont.

? Pendleton Junior DC

April 6 1787 received in full of the within amount of

The Hord [Thomas Hord, sheriff of Caroline County Virginia] Dr

George Cammack for

William Cammack

Apr 6<sup>th</sup> 1787 Rec<sup>d</sup> in full of the within amt  
 of The Hord Dr  
 George Cammack for  
 Wm Cammack

[another order of the Caroline court dated September 1797 found that the pensioner William Cammock [sic] was still living and entitled to his pension.]

[There is also a receipt dated September 12, 1794 signed by the pensioner acknowledging receipt of the pension due him for that year

*Wm Cammack* ]