

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Alexander Elliott S31008

VA Sea Service

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State of Kentucky Adair County Sct

On this 10th day of August 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before the worshipful Justices of the County Court of Adair now sitting Alexander Elliott a Resident of The County of Adair afs'd aged 69 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 act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832

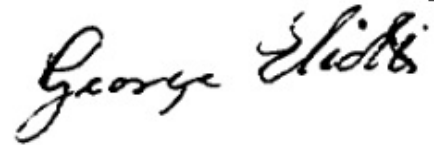
That he entered the naval service of The united states in the Virginia Navy line as midshipman in the year of 1776 or 7 under Capt. George Elliott [R38] Commander of the Safeguard Gally [the galley *Safeguard*] – David Larkin first mate and Christian 2 mate his first name not recollected. he resided in the state of Virginia in what is now Rockbridge County at the time he entered the service [formed from parts of Augusta and Botetourt counties in 1778]. the vessel to which he belong'd was attached to Commodore Unter's[?] Squadron, the principle time he was in service he was stationed at and near the mouth of York Potomack [sic: Potomac] and Rapahanoc [sic: Rappahannock] Rivers, But mostly at the Latter. While lying at the latter the British Robuck [sic: *Roebuck*] came up and took a long Boat & a few men, who had gone out for water toward the end of his services in the Summer 1779 he was sent with Morris Loyd [sic: Morris Lloyd VAS956] gunners mate to Fredericksburg for a Boat belonging to the publick which they got and took her to Gloucester and delivered her to the proper officer Soon after That time he was discharged from Service having served three years he states that about the year 1789 he came to the State of Kentucky and settled near Danville and remained there untill 1799 when he came to the County of Adair where he has resided ever since he further states that about the year 1805 his house was Burnt in which his trunk he had while at sea containing his Commission Log book & all papers relating to his Services in his possession was consumed as a farther Evidence of his services he refers the department to the public Record shewing that a land warrant issued from the Register of Virginia for 2666 $\frac{2}{3}$ acres for his services as above stated he knows of no witness by whom he can prove his service or any part thereof nor has he any documentary Evidence for the Reason before stated

He hereby Relinquishes every Claim whatever to a pention or annuity except the present and declares That his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state

Alexander Elliott

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Elliott, Alex.]

I do hearby certify that Alexander Eliott was Inlisted for three years and Served as Midshipman under me Listed Aprill 1779 and Discharged August 1780 George Eliott



This Day Alex'r Elliott and Morris Loyd Came before me And'w Moore a Justice assign'd[?] to keep the peace of Rockbridge County & Made Oath that the had Impower'd Capt George Elliott to Draw their Warrants from the Land Office for their Services Done in ye Naval Department

Sworn to this 23^d May 1788 & Certify'd under my hand

And'w Moore

NOTE: On 6 Mar 1833 John Anderson, born 11 May 1780 in Augusta County VA, stated that he had always heard that Alexander Elliott served as a Midshipman under his father, Capt. George Elliott.