

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Holman, S31133

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State of Kentucky Mercer County viz.

This day personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for said County Richard Holman a revolutionary Soldier now in the seventy sixth year of his age and a resident of said County and whose infirmities prevent his attendance in court not being able to ride and made oath to the following statement for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the late act of Congress providing for certain surviving officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war passed June 7th 1832. I do hereby state that in the month of October 1780 I was called into service in the militia in the state of Virginia under Captain Patrick Buchanan in Major Triplett's Battalion and we joined General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] and marched against Colonel Tarlton [Banastre Tarleton] and I was engaged in the battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] which defeated him in the revolutionary war, and in this service I performed a tour of four months, and I was again drafted for three months in the Militia of the State of Virginia and was employed in guarding Prisoners under Captain James Trimble at Albemarle Barracks and was honorably discharged from both tours of duty and again in the month of June 1781 I was drafted for another tour of three months and was marched to Richmond under Captain Patrick Buchanan in the militia service of the State of Virginia and joined General Lafayette where I was in the engagement at Jamestown [July 6, 1781] Virginia. General Lafayette's horse was killed under him and I faithfully perform my duty as a soldier in the militia of the State of Virginia employed in the Revolutionary War. I further state that I have long since lost or mislaid my discharges and I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension except this, and that I am not now nor ever have been a Pensioner of the United States or any State.

Witness my hand this 20th day of July 1832

S/ Richard Holman, X his mark

[Martin C Duncan, a clergyman, and Robert B. McAfee gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Mercer County viz.

This day John McKittrick Senior¹ and John Magill Senior² personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in and for said County and made oath to the following statements viz. I John McKittrick well remember of being in the Revolutionary War with Richard Holman Senior being drafted at the same time for 3 months in Augusta County Virginia and served under General Morgan and was together in the Battle of the Cowpens at Tarleton's Defeat and served 4

¹ [John McKittrick \(McKittrick\) S13647](#)

² [John Magill S31230](#)

months together in the same campaign and I John Magill Senior remember of being drafted in the Militia service at the same time Richard Holman was in Augusta County Virginia and served with him on said Tower [tour] under General Morgan in the year 1780 & 1781 and that Richard Holman served 4 months in said campaign and we furthermore state that we have been acquainted with Richard Holman ever since and have reason to believe that he served in the militia of the Revolutionary War the time he has stated as from our long acquaintance with him we regard him as a credible and respectable citizen as witness our hands this July 20th 1832

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John Magill
John Magill

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 10 years in the Virginia militia.]