

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nicholas Long S31222

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State of Kentucky City of Lexington: SS

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before C. Hunt Esquire Mayor of said City, now sitting, Nicholas Long a resident of the County of Fayette & State aforesaid aged 78 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 of 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832.

That he was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 1754, in Caroline County Virginia. There was a record of his age kept in a church prayer book, which was sold by mistake at the sale of his father's personal estate, and never recovered. He resided in the same County when he entered the service during the revolution, and afterwards until the year 1795 when he removed to Kentucky, where he has resided ever since.

That he entered the Continental service in the month of February 1776 in Captain Samuel Hawes' company in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia Regiment, commanded by Colonel Alexander Spotswood. He entered the service as a Sergeant which post he held during his whole term, which was two years. He served out that term and was legally discharged, but he has lost that discharge. For five or six months before his discharge, he was directed to carry the colors in his Regiment by regimental orders, which was in fact and honorary appointment as Ensign, although he received no additional pay for said service.

His Company remained in and about Williamsburg from about the last of February 1776 until the next winter, when his company marched to Pennsylvania and joined the Army under General Washington. His Regiment was a part of General Weedon's George Weedon's] brigade and General Greene's division. He marched with the troops across New Jersey in the year 1777, and into the border of New York from whence the troops returned by a forced march to meet the British Army under Lord Howe, and was with them in the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777]. He was afterwards in the battle of Germantown [October 4, 1777] where he carried the colors of his Regiment, and afterwards remained with the Army until it entered winter quarters at Valley Forge where he was discharged by General Weedon the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> of February 1778. He lost a brother at Germantown, but was never wounded himself although engaged in several skirmishes, besides the two general actions above named.

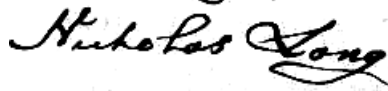
He remained in Caroline County after the foregoing service, except some short expeditions, until 1781, when he entered Colonel Thomas Mathews' 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment of militia as Adjutant, in which he served two months, and again as Adjutant in the same Regiment when commanded by Colonel Samuel Temple for two months; and again as Brigade Major to General Weedon for 2 months, which term expired during the siege of York. He had commissions as

adjutant, but was appointed in General orders as Brigade Major.

He has no written documents to support his claim, and refers to such documents as our in the War Department. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Nicholas Long



[Thomas M Allen, a clergyman, and John Hurst gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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State of Kentucky Campbell County Sct.

The affidavit of Nicholas Long taken at his house on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1844, Affiant states that he is the Identical Nicholas Long who made his declaration for a pension sometime in the year 1732 in Fayette County, and that on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 1832 he was inscribed on the pension roll at the rate of \$193.33 per annum for services in the Revolutionary War, and in the Virginia Line as Stated heretofore in my declaration now on the files of the pension office at Washington City all of which is here referred to as containing the true narrative of the Service as rendered in the several capacities therein specified, Affiant now is and always has been of opinion that he was not on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 1832 allowed as much pension as was justly entitled in virtue of services as by him rendered as aforesaid. He therefore prays that his case be re-examined by the Commissioner of Pensioner [sic], and that he be allowed such additional sum of money as is justly due for the services aforesaid. He begs leave to refer the Commissioner of Pensions to the rolls of Virginia & such factors as are found in Washington City. He therefore most respectfully asked his declaration the proof in support thereof together with the Virginia records & vouchers at Washington City be [indecipherable word] considered on re-examination and that all errors & omissions be made right & your affiant will ever pray. Sworn to & subscribed this day & date above.

S/ Nicholas Long

[p 8: On January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1851 in Campbell County Kentucky, Samuel Perry, 58, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with Nicholas Long of Campbell County when he was a very old man and a pensioner of the United States at the rate of 193 dollars 33 per annum payable at Louisville Kentucky; that at his death Nicholas long left 3 children, Gabriel, William and Mary H. Long; that Gabriel emigrated to Texas where he's died; that William also went to Texas and died; that Mary H Long Colwell is the only surviving heir and child of Nicholas Long.]

[p 11: On January 3, 1851 in Hamilton County Ohio Samuel Cobb gave testimony that he was called upon by John M Colwell from Kentucky for a coffin for his grandfather, Nicholas Long.]

[Facts in file: Veteran died in Campbell County Kentucky October 15, 1846; veteran lived with his daughter for several years prior to his death; in 1846 A. D. Smalley, a resident of Newport, Campbell County Kentucky gave evidence that he is a near relative of the veteran but did not state his relationship.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$220 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service

as a Sergeant, Adjutant & Brigade Major in the Virginia service.]