

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Mourning Roberts S31342

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State of Kentucky Rockcastle County Sct.

On this 30th day of October 1832 personally appeared before me John H Slaughter a Justice of the peace for the County of Rockcastle aforesaid State of Kentucky, Mourning Roberts a resident of the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy-four years, who being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1777 as he believes and served in the 14th Regiment of the Virginia line under Charles Lewis Colonel Abram Buford [Abraham Buford] Major, Robert Marks Captain. He enlisted about the last of February or the 1st of March in the year 1777 aforesaid in the County of Albemarle State of Virginia and was marched to Fredericksburg, from there to Alexandria thence to Middlebrook in the State of New Jersey. His enlistment was for the term of three years but he was discharged on or about the 8th of January following on account of sickness, having served ten months and some days; he received a discharge from George Weeden [George Weedon], Brigadier General, but it is long lost since. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/Mourning Roberts, X his mark

State of Kentucky Scott County Sct.

This is to Certify that in Culpeper in the State of Virginia in the year 1776 [orders were received?] appointing Colonel Charles Lewis to command the 14th Virginia Regiment and myself Major to said Regiment and orders were issued for all the Recruits of said Regiment to rendezvous at Fredericksburg the spring following from which place as Major I marched with them by way of Alexandria to head quarters at Middlebrook a part of Captain John Marks' Company from Albemarle County belonging to said Regiment March with us so that Morning Roberts declaration may be true.

October 3 1832

S/ A. Buford [Abraham Buford]



[John Quinn, a clergyman, and John A Moore gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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

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Addendum to Mourning Roberts S31342

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 2 March 2021.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

Kentucky

Madison County S.S.

This day personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace for the County of Madison afors'd Mourning Roberts & made oath that he enlisted in Albemarle County, Virginia, in the year 1777 about the month of February into the fourteenth Virginia Regiment on continental Establishment commanded at the time by Charles Lewis – that he served in the company commanded by Capt. John Marks [W4542] – that he enlisted for the Term of three years – that in consequence of very bad health, proceeding from the small pox, which he had while in the army after his enlistment, he was unable to continue in the service longer than about twelve months & in consequence of ill health as aforsaid he was discharged at Valley Forge by General George Weedon in 1778 – that his discharge has been lost or mislaid. He further states that he has never applied for or received any bounty Land for his services aforsaid nor has he ever authorized any person to receive it for him. Sept'r 3^d 1822.

Mourning hisXmark Roberts

Kentucky

Madison County S.S.

Charles Colley [S34702] this day made oath before the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the County aforsaid that he knows Mourning Roberts who has subscribed to the within affidavit to be the identical person he there in represents himself – that he well knew him in the Revolutionary War – that he enlisted & performed the services set forth in his affidavit aforsaid & that he was discharged as therein set forth & for the cause therein stated.

[3 Sep 1822]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Charles Colley". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the text of the affidavit.