

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Talbott S31409

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On this 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Circuit for the County aforesaid now sitting Thomas Talbott resident in said County aged 70 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 June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated – he first volunteered in April 1781 in the State of Virginia Chesterfield County (where he then resided) for the term of three months he served under Captain Creed Haskins & Major Francis Goode, they marched him to Petersburg Virginia where they joined the main Army under General Baron Steuben, Colonel John Bott [Lt. Col. John Botte] took the command of the Regiment to which he was attached after they arrived at Petersburg & after the taking of Petersburg by the British he was under the command of Colonel Robinson, who took command at the Coal Pitts [coal pits] – he marched under this term first from Chesterfield to Petersburg thence to Chesterfield again, thence to Falling Creek Church, thence to the Coal Pitts – thence to Manchester & Richmond & thence near to Williamsburg & some other short marches to keep out of the way of the British – he served out this term & was discharged in Chesterfield County, by Major Francis Goode which discharge he has lost.

After this in September of the same year he was drafted for three months, he entered the service in Chesterfield County under the command of Captain George Marcom [George Markham or Marcum] & Francis Goode who marched him thence to Williamsburg, where he joined the main Army under General Lawson who was the commander of the American Militia at that Place, there were also French Troops there the commander not recollected – he was then marched to Little York under his Captain Marcom, Colonel Goode staying behind, he was at the siege there & at the capture of Cornwallis – after this he marched with some prisoners to Winchester Virginia where he was discharged in January 1782 – he has lost this discharge also. He has no documentary evidence of his service & he knows of no positive proof of his service – he served both terms on the lines of the State of Virginia.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first written.

S/ Thomas Talbott

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas Talbott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'T' at the beginning.

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This day John Ragland¹ and George Pearce² personally appeared before me the Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid & made oath that they were both soldiers of the Revolution & are now drawing pensions from the United States, that they were both at the taking of Cornwallis & from much conversation they have had with Thomas Talbott of this County who is now applying for a Pension they verily believe he is of the age he represents himself to be & they verily believe he said Talbott was at the taking of Cornwallis & that he served as he has stated in his declaration made in the Court of the Circuit on the 27th day of August 1833.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of September 1833

S/ George Pearce, X his mark

S/ John Ragland, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the Virginia militia.

¹ FPA S35603

² I could not identify a veteran by this name that claimed to be at the taking of Cornwallis at Little York. A George Pearce [George Pearce S49294](#) who claimed service in the Maryland line, lived in Simpson County, Ky when he filed in 1823, but he says he was at Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and says nothing about being at the taking of Cornwallis in his application.