

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Vallandigham S31448

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State of Kentucky Clarke County Sct

On the 23rd day of October 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Clarke County Court, it being a court of record now sitting, George Vallandigham a resident of Fayette County and State of Kentucky aged seventy-one years last September, who being first 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 and served as herein stated.

In the year 1781 he served two tours as a militia man of three months each. He lived at that time in Loudon [Loudoun] County Virginia. The first of said tours he was drafted as a militia man in a company commanded by Captain William Beavers, which company was made up in Loudon County. I was marched to Richmond Virginia, near which place we joined the Regiment of Virginia militia commanded by Colonel Mannywethers [Thomas Meriwether?], our Major was named Qualls [James Quales or Quarles?]. I understood that they were regular officers that we were put under when we joined head quarters that he is Mannywethers and Qualls. We were commanded by General Stevens [Edward Stevens] a militia officer. We retreated from near Richmond until we were near the Rapidan River, where we fell in with General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] by whom we were then commanded. Shortly after our junction with Wayne the British commenced their retreat, and we p[paper torn, word missing, probably "pursued"] them to James Town on James River, where Wayne had a skirmish with the British, I was not in it being behind with the militia who had not arrived at the time the affair took place. We were from there marched near to Williamsburg and my time having expired I was discharged. I got a written discharge signed I think by Captain Beavers but whether it was signed by him or not I am not very certain – having long since lost it. In said tour I left home about the first of May 1781 –

In a short time after my return home, I think in the month of August I again entered a company of militia commanded by Captain Richard Spurr raised in Loudoun County Virginia, where I still resided – I entered as a substitute for a [paper torn and words missing, but probably "man"] by the name of Hunt his first name I do[paper torn, word missing but probably "not"] recollect – I served a little upwards of [paper torn word missing, but probably "three"] months at this last time. We were marched to York on the Gloucester side, we were [paper torn and words missing] a Regiment of Virginia militia [paper torn word missing] did by Colonel George West, after reaching [paper torn, word missing Gloucester, we were commanded by General Weeden [George Weedon], the French troops were on the same side with us. I remained there until the surrender of Cornwallis – After his surrender I was employed in guarding the British prisoners to

Nolen's Ferry on the Potomac River in Loudon County where I was discharged and being in my own County near whom I got no written discharge – my whole actual service in the militia was a little upwards of six months.

I was born in Loudon County Virginia in the year 1761 on the 12th day of September. I have a record of my age at my own house in the handwriting of my father. I lived in Loudon County Virginia until the year 1783 at which time I moved to Kentucky and have been living in this State ever since All the time in Fayette County – I am well known in my neighborhood to John Guess, George Winn, Dennis Bradley and James Vallandigham who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution.

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 the key agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

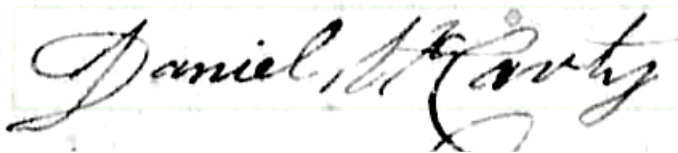
S/ George Vallandigham



I Daniel McCarty¹ a resident of Montgomery County do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with George Vallandigham who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration, that he is I have no doubt seventy-one years of age that I knew him in Loudon County Virginia where he resided in the year 1781 – at which time I lived in the same County. He the said George Vallandigham served two tours as a militia man during the year. The first tour he served I was not with him, but know he went out and served a tour of three months. – The second tour I went out in the same Company with him which company was commanded by Captain Richard Spurr we were marched to Gloucester, and in the Brigade commanded by General Weedon, we served until the surrender of Cornwallis, we then guarded the prisoners to Nolens Ferry on the Potomac and were there discharged. The said Vallandigham served during that tour three months and a few days – I lived close neighbor to said Vallandigham in Loudoun County Virginia, and knew of his first tour although I was not actually with him, but I was with him during the second tour in the same company of militia.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year aforesaid

S/ Daniel McCarty



[George Boone a clergyman, and John Hampton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[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.]

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