

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Chambers S34684

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Edward Chambers of Anne Arundel County State of Maryland made oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God that he served three years and a half in the Revolutionary Army of the United States in the third Maryland Regiment Captain Grays [possibly John Woolford Gray's] company and was regularly discharged at the peace in the year seventeen Hundred and eighty three that he is a poor man not able to support himself and Family and now solicits an annual pension from the Government of the United States under the law 18th March 1818

Sworn before the underwritten Chief Judge of the third Judicial District of the State of Maryland this twentieth day of June 1818

District of Maryland Anne Arundel County Ss.

On this 21st day of April Eighteen hundred and twenty one personally appeared in open Court being a Court [of] record for said County possessing the power of fine and imprisonment and a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount Edward Chambers aged about fifty six years resident in Anne Arundel County State of Maryland who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. He enlisted in new Town Chester in said County in or about July 1777 under Major Deane [possibly John Dean] in the 3. Md. Reg't. in the Maryland line commanded by Colo. [Peter] Adams and served in s'd. Reg't. three years & six months during which time he was in the battles of the high hills of Santee [see endnote], and during the Siege of Cornwallis [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and at Charleston [most of 1782], and was with Gen'l. Washington as one of his body guard & that he was discharged in Frederick Town Maryland in 1780 [sic]; and he further solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any other manner disposed of his property or any part thereof so as to diminish it, as to bring himself within the provision of the act of Congress entitled An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land or naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war", passed on the 18th day March 1818 and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him any property Certificates Contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income or property other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed He does further declare that he is now a pensioner of the United States and that his Certificate is dated 18th day May 1818 since which time he has drawn two years pension, that he is by occupation a labourer but from age and infirmity he is not in a situation to pursue it to advantage and that he has a family

Schedule property as follows

1 old gun. 2 axes. 1 maul & wedges.

Value by the Court at five Dollars

Edward hisXmark Chambers

Auditors office Annapolis 31st March 1823

Sir [J. L. Edwards Esq'r., Commissioner of Pensions]

Enclosed you will receive the affidavit of John H. Duvall Esq'r. and one from Edw'd Chambers setting forth that the original Certificate cannot be found. you will serve the Cause of Humanity By sending on a duplicate with directions or a Blank form by which I may draw his pension for him. the old man resides in a distant part of the County and is Waiting in this City, and says he will not go home untill I get his money for him. you will oblige me by attending this as soon as you can with convenience.

I am respectfully yr. ob't. sv't. Thos. Karney

NOTE: There was no battle named for the High Hills of Santee in Sumter County SC. Chambers may have referred to the Battle of Camden on 16 Aug 1780, where the 3rd Maryland Regiment under Lt. Col. Peter Adams fought.