

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of David Allen S35172

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State of Kentucky

Fayette County Sct

This day David Allen appeared before me a circuit Judge for the State of Kentucky and made oath that he resides in Fayette County Kentucky. that he is in his sixty third year of age and was a Private in the first continental Regiment. that he enlisted in August 1776 and served untill when he was honorably discharged August 1779. that he served three years in the Revolution against the British or common Enemy. that he enlisted in Hanover County Virginia, that he first served in the company commanded by Capt. [Goodrich] Crump and in the Regt. first commanded by Colo. Reed [sic: Isaac Read] and then by Colo. Richard Parker that he was first in the Battle at the White Plains [28 Oct 1776]. Dec'r. 1776 at Trentown [Trenton NJ, 26 Dec 1776]. and also in the Battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777] & Germantown [4 Oct 1777] — He further makes oath that he is poor, needy & infirm and that from reduced circumstances he is in want of assistance for support from his Govt. He states that he has resided in Kentucky, for more than twenty years. that he has never received any pension from his govt and claims a pension as a Revolutionary Soldier under the act of Congress of 1818. Given under my hand this 1st day April 1818 — Benj. Johnson Circuit Judge

[Nathaniel Modisett certified that he knew of Allen's services. This was probably the person whose name was spelled Nathaniel Mothershead or Mothershed in pension application W8472. John Nelson, S35537, also certified Allen's service.]

State of Kentucky, Fayette Circuit, June term 1820.

Be it remembered that David Allen made oath in open court and produced a schedule of his property amounting to one hundred and five dollars, according to an act of Congress passed on the 1st day of May 1820, concerning pensioners which is ordered to be entered of Record in the words and figures following, towit: District of Kentucky, Fayette Circuit sct: On this third day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record in and for the circuit aforesaid, David Allen, aged sixty five, resident within the circuit afores'd who, being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in January 1776, for one year that he reenlisted in August 1776 for and during the term of three years: first in Capt'n John Sear's [see endnote] and then in Captain Guthridge Crumps [sic] company 1st Virginia regiment, commanded in 1776 by Colo. Reed in General Muhlenburg's [sic: Peter Muhlenberg's] brigade, on Continental establishment. The original declaration made on the 18th April 1818 from which time he has received a pension: the no of the certificate is not known, unless the figures endorsed on the back of it are intended as such, which are (184). And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed viz: One mare worth \$50. one bed and furniture \$30. one Bureau \$10. other furniture worth in all probably \$15. Total \$105. That he has no partickular occupation, that he has no family living with him, that he has eight children, all of whom have left; his health is so impaired as to be unable to labour for his support. Sworn to and declared this 3rd day of July 1820 before me, W. Warren, circuit judge.

NOTES:

The company commanded by Capt. John Sayres was raised in Gloucester County VA.
David Allen signed his own name to a power of attorney on 1 Apr 1818.