

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Andrew Rodgers S35635

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Kentucky Washington County Sct. May 16 1818

Be it remembered that on the 16th day of May in the year of our Lord 1818 came Andrew Rodgers before me the undersigned Presiding Judge of the Washington County Court in the State of Kentucky and he being first duly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God deposeth and saith that about the month of November 1775 he enlisted as a private Soldier under Captain William Campbell of the 1st Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Patrick Henry and Lieutenant Colonel William Christian for the Term of one year the time then required by the Continental Government, that he remained in the Service of his Country in the Revolutionary War on the Continental establishment as above recited for the term of one year, that he then received an honorable discharge from his Captain which discharge he having taken no care of it he believes at this time not to be existing; that in December or January ensuing the date of his discharge, he received the Commission of a Lieutenant in the 14th Regiment of Virginia commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis & Lieutenant Colonel Abraham Branford [Abraham Buford ?] belonging to Weeden's [George Weedon's] Brigade in General Green's division that he remained in the Actual Service of his Country as Lieutenant aforesaid during the Revolutionary War on the Continental Establishment about the term of fifteen months but this deponent sayeth positively he served as Lieutenant aforesaid above the term of nine months he was in the battles of German Town [Germantown October 4, 1777], and Brandy Wine [Brandywine, September 11, 1777] and owing to the excessive fatigue underwent by the Deponent in those battles, he having been so impaired and sickness so constantly attending with exertion, alias tour of duty, that conceiving he could be of no further use to his Country's cause but and expense to the then weak Treasury the nation, he resigned his office of Lieutenant at Valley Forge on 2nd day of March 1778 and upon his resignation his Commission was returned to and of the Age of General Washington since which time he has not seen it nor does he know that it is now in existence. This deponent states that out of his own personal funds he expended sums of money to forward the enlistment of Soldiers and their support; for which he has never received one Cent or in any wise been reimbursed.

That he is now 70 years of age entirely destitute of property he has been compelled to live upon his relations in order for his support, he is now old and infirm his circumstances in life reduced; he stands in need of the assistance of his Country for a support; and he now makes application for a pension under the law of Congress of the 18th of March 1818

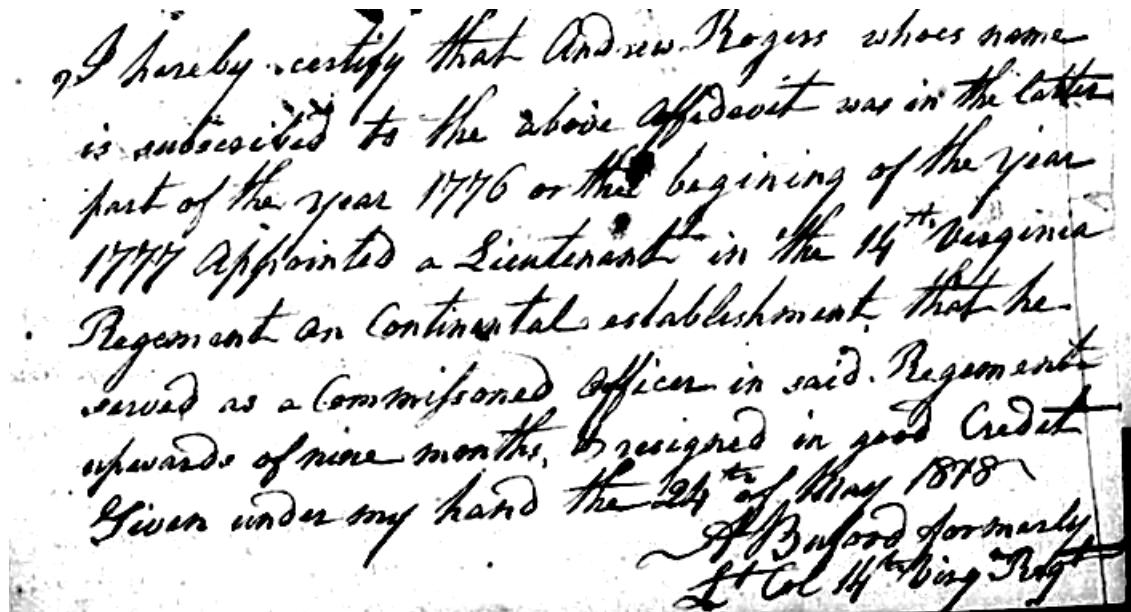
S/ And^w Rodgers

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew Rodgers". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ And^w Rodgers".

I hereby certify that Andrew Rogers whose name is subscribed to the above Affidavit was in the latter part of the year 1776 or the beginning of the year 1777 appointed a Lieutenant in the 14th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, that he served as a commissioned officer in said Regiment upwards of nine months, resigned in good credit.

Given under my hand this 24th of May 1818

S/ A. Buford formerly
Lt. Col. 14th Virg^a. Regt.

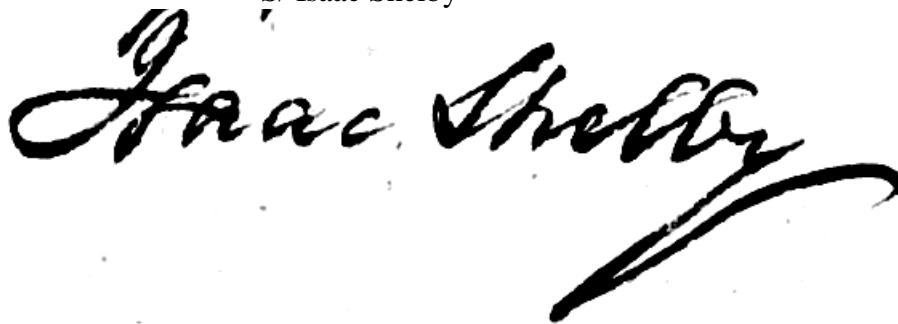


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Given under my hand the 24th of May 1818
A. Buford formerly
Lt Col 14th Virg Regt

I knew the within named Andrew Rodgers as early as 1782. I did not see him in the service as I did not serve in that quarter of the Union – but I never had a doubt that Mr. Rodgers served his Country during the Revolutionary War to the extent described by him in the subjoined Affidavit – I knew Colonel A. Buford in the Army during the War of the Revolution & believed the signature to the foregoing certificate to be his own – and entitled to full faith and credit.

Given under my hand this 1st day of June 1818

S/ Isaac Shelby



Isaac Shelby

State of Kentucky Washington Circuit Sct.
District of __, SS

On this 4th day of May 1819, before me, the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Courts for the State of Kentucky for the said Circuit personally appeared Andrew Rodgers aged

70 years, resident in Washington County in the said district, who, being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he the said Andrew Rodgers enlisted for the term of one year on the ___ day of November in the year 1775 in New London in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain William Campbell of the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Christian in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States, until the expiration of his enlistment when he was discharged from the service in Williamsburg, state of Virginia that he was in the battles of German Town and Brandywine, in December or January after his discharge he was Commissioned Lieutenant in the Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Lewis and Buford served about fifteen months & & he resigned [?] at Valley Forge and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services than those annexed.

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ W. L. Kelly, Judge

State of Kentucky Washington County Sct October County Court 1820

Andrew Rodgers a pensioner under the act of Congress passed the 18th of March 1818 this day produced into Court and swore to his Schedule which is words and figures following to wit

District of Kentucky Washington County & circuit

On this 9th day of October 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a court of record for the County and district aforesaid) Andrew Rodgers aged seventy-two in January next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and of the 1st of May 1820 that he the said Andrew Rodgers enlisted in the year 1775 for the Time [?] of one-year in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain William Campbell in the Regiment commanded 1st by Colonel Patrick Henry and afterwards by Colonel William Christian on the Virginia Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the full end and term of his enlistment when he was duly discharged from the said service in Williamsburg in the State of Virginia that in the fall of the year 1776 he received a commission of Lieutenant in the 14th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Charles Lewis and Lieutenant Colonel Abraham Buford of Colonel Weadings Brigade in Greens Division that he continued in service as Lieutenant until about the 1st of March 1778 when he was compelled from ill health preceding from Exposure in the Battle of Germantown to resign his Commission not being able to keep with the Army that he was in the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons 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 to wit one mare and colt worth \$80 a bond on William Irvin for \$100 the said Irvine has been dead 6 or 7 [years?] and little or no prospects of getting the amount \$30 due him by William Rodgers about \$185 of the money he has received from government as a pension that he has received a pension his certificate is 11586 he has no wife or family or any other Income whatever

S/ Andrew Rodgers

[Facts in file: On the basis of the schedule he filed in 1820, the pension was suspended on account of his having more property than allowed under the 1820 act. He was subsequently reinstated when he filed another schedule showing at that time that he had no property other than a mare worth \$50 . In that document he states that he has no wife or children living with him. The veteran was living in Bourbon County Kentucky in 1823; he died June 29, 1825. There is no family data in this file. This veteran filed 3 other applications seeking to get his pension reinstated before finally succeeding via the application he filed while living in Bourbon County in 1823. This is the first application I can recall seeing in which the money received under the 1818 Act and saved by the veteran counted against him in determining whether or not he qualified under the 1820 act. Heller did not invent catch 22.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing May 16, 1818, for service as a Lieutenant for during the war in the Virginia Continental line.]

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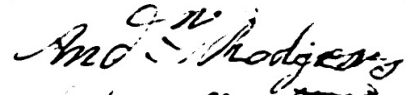
Addendum to Andrew Rodgers S35635

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 8 March 2021.

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

State of Kentucky Bourbon County Sct

Andrew Rodgers Appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made Oath that in the month of November or december 1776 he was appointed and Commissioned a Lieutenant in Capt George Lamberts [George Lambert S8810] Company of the 14th Virginia Reg't on Continental line Commanded by Col. Charles Lewis & Lieut Col. Abraham Buford and that he continued to serve in said Regiment as Lieut. until the Month of March 1780 [sic] at which time he resigned his Commission and left the service while sustaining the rank aforesaid, after performing a Service of upwards of Three years. It was sickness and debility which compelled him to resign his Commission at the Vally Forge in the State of Pennsylvania. And he give his Commission up to his Superior Officer; and that he has never re'd. his Land warrant for said service, and he prays the Governor & Council of Virginia to grant the same to him



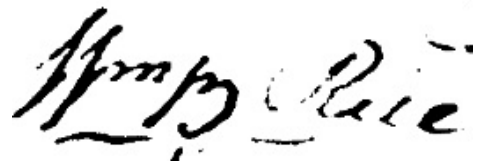
Kentucky Fayette County Sct. [8 January 1822]

Elisha Eastis [W9419] made Oath before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made made Oath that he was acquainted with the within named Andrew Rodgers and knows that said Rodgers was a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental army and he served Three years as he (Lieut. Rodgers) has stated in his Affidavit Within
Elisha hisXmark Eastis

State of Kentucky }

Fayette County } Sct [9 March 1822]

William B. Rice [W9625] appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made Oath that he was a Sergeant in the Virginia Continental Army in the Revolution and that he was well acquainted with within named Andrew Rodgers and knows that said Rodgers served in the Virginia Continental Army as a Lieutenant for upwards of three years to the best of his knowledge and belief. and the said Lieut Rodgers was a good and faithful soldier [several undeciphered words]



Kentucky Fayette County Sct. [13 March 1822]

Frederick Coons [S35844] appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made Oath that he was well acquainted with the above named Andrew Rodgers a Lieutenant in the Virginia Continental Army for Three years or thereabouts and he knows that said Rodgers served that period as a Lieutenant in the United States army and that said Rodgers deserved well of his Country.

Frederick hisXmark Coons

Kentucky Fayette County Sct. [6 Aug 1822]

John Nelson [S35537] late a Captain in the 5th Virginia Regiment on Continental line came before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made Oath that he served in the Revolution during the war as an

Officer above stated and that he received four Thousand acres of warrants for his service. And that he was well acquainted with Lieutenant Andrew Rodgers who was in Capt. George Lambert's Company of the 14th Virginia Regiment and that said Rodgers served as such upwards of three years and then resigned.

Jno Nelson Cap
5th Va. Reg't.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jno Nelson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style with a horizontal line above the first few letters.