

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Thompson S36340

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District of Illinois SS White Circuit

On this twenty ninth day of June 1821 personally appeared in open Court (this being a Court of record expressly made so by the Statutes of this State) for the County of White in the State of Illinois, Thomas Thompson a resident of the County of White in said State aged sixty years & about 10 months old who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that he the said Thomas Thompson enlisted for the term of eighteen months sometime in the month of July (the date not recollected) 1779 in the State of Virginia & County of Botetourt in the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Boyer [Thomas Bowyer] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Abraham Buford in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment that the company to which he belonged joined the Army under the Command of General Green in the month of September or October 1779, that he continued to serve in the said Corps and until the month of January 1781 when he was discharged from the service at Charlotte in the state of South Carolina [sic, North Carolina] that he served under Colonel Blueford [Buford] until sometime in the winter 1779 & 1780 when he volunteered to serve in the Calvary [cavalry] & was transferred to said Troops commanded by Colonel Washington [William Washington] and continued to serve under Colonel Washington for at least eight months when he returned to the Regiment in which he enlisted which was at that time under the command of Colonel Edmison¹ & continued in said Regiment until his discharge as aforesaid –

That he was in the Battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], the Siege of Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781] and the Battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] and was wounded at the said Siege of Ninety Six in the leg, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said Services except his own oath.

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

¹ The Department of the Interior suggested in a letter dated March 1, 1934 that is perhaps was a reference to Lieutenant Colonel Anderson

S/ Thomas Thompson

A Schedule of the The state & income of Thomas Thompson

An applicant for a pension

Two cows and Heifer two calves one yearling calf

One horse Eleven head of hogs – no real property & no debts due him

Applicant has a wife named Nancy aged about fifty-six years – she is so great a cripple as to be unable to walk & can do no kind of laborious work -- he has no children living with him – He is a cripple himself in consequence of the wound he received during the revolutionary war & is unable to support himself & wife by his labor. He is a laborer by occupation.

S/ Thomas Thompson

Sworn to and declared on the 29th day of June A.D. 1821 in Open Court before me.

S/ James Ratcliff, Clerk

[Facts in file: Veteran died January 19, 1829, place not shown; and there are no children's names given in the file.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing June 29, 1824, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]