

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Porter S36744

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State of Indiana Dearborn County: Sct.

Be it remembered that on the first day of July A.D. 1818 Then before me John Livingston one of the Associate Judges of the Dearborn Circuit Court personally appeared David Porter resident of the said County of Dearborn aged eighty-two years and being duly sworn as the law directs deposeth and saith that he enlisted in the service of the Thirteen United States of America in the thirteenth Regiment of Infantry under the command of Colonel Russell in the Virginia Line on the Continental Establishment sometime in the autumn of 1775 to the best of his recollection, in which service he remained fighting against the common enemy three years and six months – the period for which he enlisted was three years but he was retained six months longer in service before he was discharged. This deponent was present at the two several battles of Germantown [October 4, 1777] & Brandywine [September 11, 1777] in the service aforesaid – he forwarded his discharge to Richmond in Virginia to enable his agent to receive his pay which discharge has never been returned to him – and he presumes it was left at the pay office whence he received his pay – he has been totally unable to walk without assistance for nine years – he was wounded in the right arm at the time the Americans and British captured from the French and Indians Fort Duquesne – or Fort Pitt – he is now so reduced in his circumstances in life that he [indecipherable word] need of the assistance of his Country for support – that he has no other evidence in his power of his said service.

S/ David Porter, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me first day of July 1818

S/ John Livingston

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July one, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for 3 years.]

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

I Do Hereby Certify that David Porter enlisted on the 7th January 1777 in the 13th Virginia Regiment on Continental Establishment for the term of years and served until the 20th April 1780 and was then discharged by Lieutenant Colonel Campbell.

Given under my hand this 24th day of March 1784

S/ Lewis Thomas, late Captain 7th Virginia Regiment

(Copy) Cha. Jones Clk

Countersigned: S/ James Wood B. G.