

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Daniel Allen S37657

VA

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Virginia to wit,

Daniel Allen this day [28 Sep 1818] made oath before me John Brown Judge of the Superior Court of Cty. for the Staunton District that on the 1st day of July 1781, while in the service of his County, as what was then called an eighteen month's soldier [militiaman drafted into Continental service for 18 months], he enlisted in Col. [George] Baylor's regiment of Dragoons in the Virg'a. line continental establishment for during the war, and served faithfully till the end thereof, when he was regularly discharged at Nelson's ferry on Santee [at Eutaw Springs], in South Carolina. That his Discharge has either been lost, or given by him to a gentleman who undertook to procure for him his Bounty in land; he is not certain which – as he has hitherto been unable either to obtain from that gent'n. his bounty in land, or his papers. He further says that he has never recd. any pension from the publick for his services – that he has never applied for any – and that he is now aged and infirm – unable to support himself by labor, as he heretofore has done; and that he stands in need of the assistance of his country.

It appears from the size Roll of 4th Troop that Dan'l. Allen inlisted for the war in Baylors Dragoons 1st July 1781, and served faithfully the full term of his inlistment.

Wm Barret fly Cap. [William Barrett formerly Captain]

Baylor's Dragoons Dec'r. 20th '84

[The above is a certified copy in Allen's possession. What may be the original is in [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)] On the same sheet as the above is a copy of a document stating that a warrant for bounty land was issued to Francis Graves assignee of Daniel Allen on 29 May 1792.]

State of Virginia Rockbridge County to wit

On this 1st day of August in the year 1820 in open Court being a court of record for the County of Rockbridge in which proceedings are held according to the course of the Common law, which has unlimited jurisdiction within the said County in Civil suits, has the power of fine and imprisonment and has all its proceedings duly registered, personally appeared Daniel Allen aged about 60 years resident in the said County of Rockbridge who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows Viz. he was enlisted by an Officer by the name of Randall whose Commission he does not recollect he was marched to Petersburg and from there under the Command of Maj'r. [Richard] Call to Charleston in South Carolina where he was attached to the 3^d. Regiment of Horse commanded by Colo. Baylor on Continental establishment, and that he continued in the Regular Service from the time of his enlistment aforesaid until the conclusion of the War, that he hath heretofore made his declaration under the Act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and been placed on the pension list under that act, that the date of his declaration is not recollected by him, the Certificate however bears date the 28th day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and is not numbered unless these figures thus written on the 2nd page of the Sheet represents its number to wit (15297) and the said Daniel Allen did solemnly swear in open Court aforesaid that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of his property or any part thereof, with intent thereby to diminish it or to bring himself 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 one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that he has not nor has any person in trust for him, any property or securities, Contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed, and by him subscribed, He further made oath in open Court as aforesaid that his occupation is that of a labourer, but that he is so old and has been afflicted with the Rheumatism for

about fifteen years that he is incapable of hard labour and altogether unable to earn a support for himself and wife, who is also unable to do any kind of work whatever, being about 80 years of age, and that he has no children

The Schedule above referred to is in the following words to wit – Schedule of the property of Daniel Allen: 5 split bottom Chairs, 1 small walnut Table 1 small iron kettle, and five or six old knives and forks, and one old Rifle gun, 1 spinning wheel 1 walnut Chest 1 small corner Cupboard, which is all the property I own except my Bed and wearing apparel Signed Daniel hisXmark Allen

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Albemarle Old Courthouse lists Daniel Allin/ age 19/ height 5' 9"/ brown hair/ blue eyes/ fair complexion/ planter/ born and residing in Amherst County where he enlisted as a substitute on 18 May 1781 for 18 months. "Took Wm Hitchcock Place."