

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Benoni Lipscomb S38140

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King William County May 25th 1808 this day came into court Benoni Lipscomb an old man aged 62 years and upwards who having been duly sworn deposeth and saith that he enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary war in the year 1776 under Captain James Gray in the 15th Virginia Regiment in the Continental Establishment, that he served in the said Regiment commanded by James Innis until the latter part of the year 1779 when he was honorably discharged at Philadelphia that the said discharge half been by him mislaid or lost not thinking it could ever be of much importance to him, that he fought at the battles of stony point [July 16, 1779], Brandywine September 11, 1777] and Germantown [October 4, 1777]. The court being satisfied that the said Benoni Lipscomb is a person in reduced circumstances and who stands in need of assistance from his country doth order this statement to be certified as that of the court for the County above named.

At a Court of Quarterly Session continued and held for King William County at the Courthouse on Tuesday the 23rd of March 1819

Benoni Lipscomb a resident of this County, aged 62 years this day came into Court, who being 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 Benoni Lipscomb enlisted for the term of 3 years on the first day of January 1776 in King William County in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain James Gray of the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Innis 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 __ day of __ 1779, when he was discharged from service in Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, that he was in the battles of Brandywine, Monmouth [June 28, 1778] and Stony Point and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services" –

And thereupon the court doth order that the said declaration be certified to the Secretary of the Department of war pursuant to the aforementioned act of Congress – And the court doth certify that it appears to their satisfaction that the said Benoni Lipscomb did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy for the term of 9 months at one time on the Continental establishment, and that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support –

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 25, 1818, for service as a private for 3 years in the Virginia Continental line.]

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

1783 April first. I hereby certify that Benoni Lipscomb served in the fifteenth and eleventh Virginia regiments three years.

S/ Holt Richeson, Lt. Colo.