Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Lucas S38158 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Virginia Gloucester County to wit

Personally appeared before me James Semple a Judge of the General Court of Virginia & Judge of the Superior Court of Law of the County of Gloucester William Lucas this 22nd day of May 1818 and in order to obtain the provision of the Act of Congress passed at the last Session entitled and Act to provide for Certain persons engaged in the land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War and being first sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God did declare & say that sometime in the month of February in the year 1777 in the County of Gloucester he enlisted under Lieutenant Machen Boswell for three years in a Company commanded by Captain Philip Taliaferro of the 2nd Virginia State Regiment Commanded by Colonel Gregory Smith, that he continued in the Service in said Corps & sometime in the spring of 1778 he marched to the northward & joined the Continental Army at a place called the Valley Forge, that he continued in the said Service & was at the Battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Stony Point [July 16, 1779] & Powles hook [Paulus Hook, August 19, 1779], that he continued with the Army till they marched to the southward, and was discharged at Fredericksburg the last of March 1780. That he served the full term for which he enlisted. That he has no other Evidence of his Services in his power. That he is now in reduced Circumstances, and stands in need of the Assistance of his Country for his support.

Given under my hand & seal the 22nd day of May 1818.

S/ James Semple

I William Lucas of the County of Gloucester do hereby declare that I entered as a soldier in the second Virginia State Regiment during the revolutionary war and after was taken on Continental establishment and served during the war and therefore prayed relief of my Country. Given under my hand this 6th day of April 1818

S/ Wm Lucas

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per annum commencing May 22, 1818 for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

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do certify that William Lucas served three years [indecipherable partial word or words] the second Virginia State Regiment – a Private. S/ Machen Boswell Capt.

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