

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas New S38258

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At a court of Quarterly sessions held for King William County at the Courthouse on Monday the 25th of May 1818 –

This day Thomas New aged about sixty-five years came into Court and being sworn depose and saith that by reason of his reduced circumstances in life he conceives himself in need of assistance from his country for support and that he enlisted on the 6th day of October 1776 as a private soldier under Captain Benjamin Temple in the 2nd Regiment of Dragoons on Continental establishment, that he served two years, and was mustered and discharged the 25th of November 1778 at Winchester in Virginia.

And the said Thomas New also prove by oath of Colonel Christopher Tompkins that he is in reduced circumstances in life which is ordered to be certified pursuant to an act of the Congress of the United States entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" – to the Secretary of the Department of War –

At a Court of monthly Sessions held for King William County at the Courthouse on Monday the 28th of June 1819

Thomas New a Resident of this County aged sixty-six 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 made by 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 Thomas New enlisted for the term of two years on the 6th day of October in the year 1776 in King William County in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Benjamin Temple of the Regiment commanded by Colonel Theodorick Bland 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 25th day of November 1778, when he was discharged from service in Winchester, State of Virginia, that he was in the battles of Brandy Wine [Brandywine, September 11, 1777], German Town [Germantown, October 4, 1777] and Somerset Courthouse [January 20, 1777], 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 of the said Thomas New be certified to the Secretary of the Department of war, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress –

And the Court doth certify that it appears to their satisfaction, that the said Thomas Knew, 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 also that they

are satisfied that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support –

[Certified by Robert Pollard, Clerk of the Court July 1, 1819]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 25, 1818, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia Continental line.]