

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Purdom S38321

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State of Virginia and County of Shenandoah

On this 8th day of August 1820 Personally appeared in open Court Thomas Purdom aged 69 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820 that he the said Thomas Purdom enlisted for the term of eighteen months in the latter part of June in the year '80 in the state of Virginia and County of Culpeper in the company commanded by Captain Harrison (the first name I have forgot) in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Green of Culpeper in the line of the state of Virginia and 2nd Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in said company till we arrived at Petersburg or Richmond I forget which there was put under the command of Captain Williams the first name forgot that he continued to serve in said Regiment until the last day of December '81 he did not get any discharge till the 18th of January '81 [sic, 1782] in the town of Salisbury in the State of North Carolina when and where I was fully discharged from the said service during which time I was in the battle of Ninety Six [May-June 1781] in the State of South Carolina where I received a wound through the body by a bayonet and that he has no other evidence now in his power that he knows of and in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself 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 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. Say

100 lbs home 19 years old	45.00	10 powder plates	1.60
1 mare 14 years old	25.00	some carbon clo	.75
1 cow and calf	10.00	some other clo	.25
5 hogs	5.	1 old table	.34
1 set of horse gear old	1.	5 chairs	1.60
1 old chow filer	0.50	1 fine sheet	1.00
300 lbs	1.00	4 tin cups	.25
100 wheat fan	1.4	600 knives & forks	.34
1 pitch fork	.12 1/2	18 spoons	1.00
1 cutting top	1.00	1 looking glass	1.25
100 brock down cart	1.00	300 pheta	.25
1 grubbing hoe	.75	1 washing tub	.16
1 auger	.25	2 iron shovels	1.00
1 drawing knife	.16	1 double iron	.34
1 hand saw	.25	1 baker	.25
		1 iron	.16
		1 axe fit for use	1.00
		100 wax	.16
		2 water buckets	.50
		300 spinning wheels	1.00
			<u>47.61</u> <u>25</u>

S/ Thomas Purdom

My occupation is a farmer and can work but very little and that in misery and pain and have a wife 59 years old and very infirm

1 - daughter 23 years old quite deranged and cannot do anything

2 - Ditto Lucy 22 years old she has her home with me but works for herself

3 - Ditto Nelly 19 years old in good health incapable to do a woman's work given under my hand the day & year aforesaid

S/ Thos Purdom

Sworn to and declared in open Court the 8th day of August 1820

Shenandoah to wit

On the first day of August 1820 personally appeared Lewis Stonbary [?] Before me the undersigned an acting Magistrate in & for Said County and made oath that he Believes he is 67 years old and being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and the first of May 1820 4 Thomas Purdom. That he the said Thomas Purdom enlisted for the term of 18 months on the __ day of June 1780 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Harrison (the first name I have forgot) in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Green of Culpeper County Virginia in the 2nd Regiment of the Virginia line on

Continental Establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps until we arrived at Petersburg Virginia then was commanded by Captain William Bentley (I believe of Spotsylvania or Caroline County as I was informed) where he continued to serve in said Corps until the last of December 1781 when he was discharged from the said Service in the State of North Carolina and was in the Battle of Ninety Six in South Carolina where he was severely wounded through the body a bayonet as I was informed and was taken to the hospital at Sharlott [Charlotte North Carolina?] in said State where I remained till he got his discharge and further the affiant saith not.

S/ Lewis Stonbarry, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 8, 1820, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia Continental line.]