

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Thompson S38432

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Virginia

Judicial Circuit composed of the Counties of Bath, Rockbridge, Augusta, Amherst, Nelson & Albemarle SS

On this twenty third day of December in the year of our Lord 1819 before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law in the said Commonwealth and assigned to the circuit composed of the Counties aforesaid personally appeared Thomas Thompson aged seventy-six years, resident in Augusta County aforesaid within the said Circuit, who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the 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 Thompson enlisted for the term of three years on the __ day of March in the year 1777 in the town of Staunton County of Augusta & State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain John Simms [?] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Edward Stephens [Edward Stevens] being the Tenth in the line of the State of Virginia on the Continental Establishment, that he continued to Served in the said Regiment until it was reduced to the Sixth and then in that Regiment until the __ day of February in the year 1780 when he was discharged from the Service in Frederick Town in the State of Maryland; that he was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], and Monmouth Court house [June 28, 1778]; and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support. He further states that about the fourth day of April (as best as he can now recollect) in the year 1818 he made a declaration in substance similar to the foregoing before [indecipherable word] & deposited a certificate from Colonel Charles Cameron who was Lieutenant in Captain John Simms'¹ Company stating that he had enlisted the said Thomas Thompson in the year 1777 for three years.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day & year aforesaid

S/ Arch'd Stuart, Judge

The deposition of Thomas Yorkshire² taken at the same time with the within declaration



¹ reference to Capt. John Symmes

² [Thomas Yorkshire S41394](#). In his application Yorkshire refers to the officer under whom he served as Capt. John Symes.

could be "John Simmons" or "John Simons" Might possibly be a

He said Thomas Yorkshire being duly sworn according to law states that he knew the within mentioned Thomas Thompson in the year 1777 when he enlisted in the company of Captain John Simmons as within stated. That he having previously enlisted in the same company served with the said Thompson until the year 1780 during which time he knows that the said Thompson was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown & Monmouth Courthouse. He moreover states that on the fourth day of April 1818 he was sworn by the honble [honorable?] Archibald Stuart as a witness for the said Thomas Thompson who then made a declaration similar in substance to the within. He reason this affiant recollects the date particularly is that it was the day preceding his own declaration. Given under my hand this 23rd day of December 1819

S/ Arch'd Stuart

Virginia Bath County 17th of April 1818

I do certify that Thomas Thompson a private in Captain John Symes Company of the 10th Virginia Regiment Inlisted in said Company on the 1st day of March 1777 of which Company I was then 1st Lieutenant, But when discharged I know not. Given under my hand.

S/ Cha. Camerson³

*Virginia Bath County 17th Ap. 1818
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Cha. Camerson*

State of Virginia Augusta County to wit

On this 17th day of July in the year 1820 in Open Court being a Court of record for the County of Augusta (in which proceedings are had according to the course of the common law, which has unlimited Jurisdiction within said County, has the power of fine & imprisonment and has all its proceedings duly registered) personally appeared Thomas Thompson aged about 77 years, resident in the said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: he enlisted with Lieutenant Charles Cameron in Staunton in the County of Augusta in the State of Virginia, on the __ day of __ 1776 as one of Captain John Symmes, a company of the 10th Virginia Regiment, and was marched in company to Philadelphia and was there attached to the Brigade of General George Weedon, that he was marched from Philadelphia to Middlebrook from thence to Brandywine; that he was in the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown town and Monmouth Courthouse, that he was discharged in the month of December 1779, that he is unable to obtain a livelihood by his occupation, which is that of a shoemaker and that he believes his infirmities have been increased by exposure and hardships undergone in the service of his Country. He has already made a

³ [Charles Cameron W6624](#)

declaration under the act of Congress passed the 18th of March 1818, the date of which declaration he does not now recollect; his pension certificate is dated the seventh day of February 1820. He solemnly swears that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as 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 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any property except his wearing apparel and bed, and therefore can give no schedule. The said declarant further deposeth that he has no family, his wife and children are dead and resides with Conrad Doome⁴ [?] with whom he is not related.

S/ Thomas Thompson, X his mark

Sworn to and declared on the 17th day of July 1820 before the said Superior Court of Law for Augusta County

Test: S/ Chesley Kinney, CSC

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of eight dollars per month commencing April 4th, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for term of three years.]

⁴ Conrad Doome