

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Raleigh (Rawleigh) S39030
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[The file contains a power of attorney dated 8 Feb 1808 for the purpose of transferring to Thomas D. Harris of Henrico County a warrant for 100 acres of bounty land given to William Raleigh for his military service. The following two endorsements are on the back of this power of attorney.]

Accomack County, to wit;

This day Solomon Parks [pension application W5486] appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid & made Oath that William Rawleigh who name is mentioned within is the same person who performed the service stated within, the said Solomon Parks having been a Soldier in the Continental Army - Given under my hand this 9th day of February 1808 —

Accomack County, to wit

This day Daniel Richardson [BWt414-100] appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid and made oath, that William Rawleigh who hath affixed his X mark and seal to the within Power of Attorney is the same person who performed the service stated within, he having inlisted for the War and continued to the end thereof the said Dan'l. Richardson having been a soldier in the Continental Army

Given under my hand this 12th of February 1808

Virginia City of Williamsburg towit

On this 9 day of July 1818 before me the Subscriber one of the Judges of the General Court of Virginia, personally appeared William Raleigh aged 67 years a resident of the County of Accomack Virginia 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. The said William Raleigh enlisted in February 1776 at Drummond Town in the County of Accomack for two years under Captain Thomas Snead of the 9th Regiment commanded by Col [Thomas] Fleming. That he remained in the Easter Shore till the following winter when he was marched to the North. That on the march Col Fleming died at Princeton of the small pox [30 Jan 1777] and was succeeded by Col Matthews [sic: George Mathews]. That he joined the main army at Morriston [sic: Morristown NJ] and fought the battle of Germantown where he was wounded on the ancle and taken prisoner. That he remained in captivity in the city of Philadelphia for above 8 months when he was exchanged and afterwards discharged at Valley Forge having served in the United States service as aforesaid his term and more.

That he has now in his possession no evidence of his services but offers in corroboration of the above statement the certificate of General Cropper [of John Cropper, pension application W3781, with the pension application of Samuel Russell, S38344] whom he has known from childhood and with whom he served in the northern campaign. That he is a poor and needy man and requires the aid and assistance of his country for his support. That he is not now in the receipt of any pension from his government.

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid James Semple

We hereby certify that William Rawley was a soldier in 9th Virginia Reg't. on Continental establishment & was taken prisoner at the battle of German-Town 4th October 1777 and is now (as we believe) in indigent circumstances. Given under our hand this 26 October 1818.

Tho Parker formerly Capt. in s'd. Regiment

Sam Waples [pension application W6427] Lieut. 9th Va. Regt

Commonwealth of Virginia

Accomack County to wit

On this 1st day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record (the said Court proceeding according to the course of the common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a record of its proceeding and having the power of fine & imprisonment) William Raleigh aged 68 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. That he the said William enlisted as a Soldier to serve two years in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Snead in the 9th Virginia Regiment (on Continental establishment) commanded by Colo Thomas Fleming that he served the said two years and that a pension has heretofore been granted him under the act of Congress passed the 18th day of March 1818 the certificate of which is numbered 4409 and that the date of his original application was the 9th day of July 1818 and he also 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 disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provisions 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 him any property or securities contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed. The said William further states on oath that he has no trade but lives by manual labour he is healthy for a man in his advanced life and he has no family. It is ordered to be certified that it is the opinion of the Court that the total amount in Value of the property Exhibited in the aforesaid Schedule is \$14.48

Schedule of William Raleigh's property August 1st 1820

1 old jug 30ct 1 Bottle 18ct. \$.48

1 Punt \$12. 1 anchor & sail \$2.. 14.00

\$14.48

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