

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Archibald Rose S39046

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Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

District of Virginia, SS.


On this 7th day of May 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States of America for the said district, personally appeared Archibald Rose of Norfolk aged fifty-four years, resident in the Borough of Norfolk in said district, 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 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 Archibald Rose enlisted in Major J. Nelson's Squadron in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain William Armistead of the said State of Virginia sometime during the year 1778 as a private soldier by his merit was promoted to the rank of First Sergeant as per Captain William Armistead's Certificate; that he continued to serve in the said Corps, or in the service of the United States until the spring of the year 1783 when he was discharged from the service in Hampton in said state of Virginia, that he was in the battles of

the Siege of York

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.

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

S/ Archibald Rose



[f p. 9: On May 7, 1818, the Veteran, 54, gave another affidavit in which he states he entered the service in 1779 in the company commanded by Captain William Armistead of a troop of Cavalry commanded by Major John Nelson on the Continental establishment; that the troops went into Carolina where he was soon after promoted to the rank of first Sergeant in Armistead's Troop; that he was at the siege of York in Virginia and was discharged in the spring of 1783; that he has 4 children and is very poor; that he had a discharge but it is lost or destroyed but he offers the certificate of Captain William Armistead in support of his claim.]

[f p. 11]

I Certify that the bearer Archibald Rose was a Sergeant in my Troop of Dragoons, and enlisted in the Revolutionary War and Served on the Continental establishment in a Choir [Corps] of Horse in the Virginia line, commanded by Major John Nelson, he always conducted himself as a good and faithful soldier,

Given under my hand this 5th day of December 1818 –  
S/ S/ W. Armistead, Senior

I Certify, that the bearer Archibald Rose,  
was a Sergeant in my Troop of Dragoons, and  
enlisted in the Revolutionary War, and served on  
the Continental Establishment, in a Chain of  
Horse in the Virginia line, Commanded  
by Major John Nelson. He always conducted  
himself as a good and faithful Soldier,  
Given under my hand this 5th day of  
December 1818 —————  
Wm. Armistead, Senior

[f p. 12]

I Certify that the bearer Archibald Rose was a Sergeant in my Troop of Dragoons, and enlisted in the Revolutionary War, He ever conducted himself as a good and faithful Soldier and served at the end of the War, and was Discharged in the Town of Hampton Virginia in 1783 – Given under my hand this 22nd day of April 1818

S/ W. Armistead, Senior  
Elizabeth City County

Teste  
G. Armistead

I certify that the said Archibald Rose,  
 was a Dragoon in my Troop of Dragoons, and  
 enlisted in the Revolutionary War. He was  
 conducted him self, as a good and faithful  
 Soldier, and served at the end of the War,  
 and was discharged in the Town of Hampton  
 Virginia, in 1783 — Given under my hand, this  
 22 day of Apr 1818 —  
 Wm Armistead Sr  
 Col of the County

District of Virginia, In the Superior Court of Norfolk County Monday the 29th day of May in the year 1820

On this day personally appeared in open Court, being a court of record by the Act of assembly Archibald Rose aged 56 years, resident of the Borough of Norfolk who being 1st duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: He enlisted in the Company of dragoons under the command of Captain William Armistead being the 1st Company of the Corps commanded by Major John Nelson in 1778, was in the battle fought at Petersburg Virginia [April 25, 1781] by General Muhlenberg against the British continued a member of said Company till he was discharged in Hampton Virginia in 1783, according to his original declaration dated the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ in consequence of which he has received a pension under the Act of Congress of the 10th of March 1818 the number of his pension Certificate for 903. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or security, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income whatever nor any [several indecipherable words]<sup>1</sup> personal estate whatever, besides my clothing. And I do further solemnly swear that I have no occupation, and in consequence of a rheumatic affliction [I] am unable to pursue any business, and that I have four children one twelve, one ten, one nine and

<sup>1</sup> whole of real

one six [?]<sup>2</sup> year of age and a wife making my family who reside with me, and that none of them are able to contribute much to their support. Sworn to and declared on the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

[Attested by William Wilson, clerk of the superior Court of Norfolk]

[Note: there is correspondence in the file indicating that the veteran died December 26, 1829.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 7, 1818, for service as a Sergeant in the Virginia line for 5 years.]

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Addendum to Archibald Rose S39046

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 13 March 2021.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do certify that Serg't Archibald Rose inlisted in the Cavalry of this state 23<sup>d</sup> July 1779 and continued in the said Service until discharg'd by order of the Governor and Council. Given under my Hand at Hampton this 24<sup>th</sup> July 1783. W Armistead [William Armistead R12155] Capt. LD  
inlisted for the war

A true Copy./ Aug't 25 1783 (B. Stark)