

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Bullifant (Bullefant) S39236

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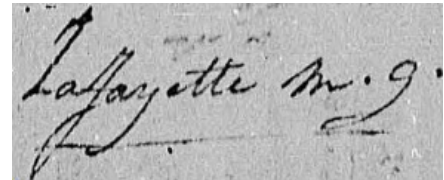
Charles City county State of Virginia to wit:

On this 21st day of May 1818 before us the subscribers justices of the peace and Judges of the county court of the county afsd. personally appears James Bullifant aged sixty four years resident in the county afs'd. 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 Entituled "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 James Bullifant enlisted in the year 1776 in the county of Ch's City in the State of Virginia, in the company commanded by Captain William Gregory of the Sixth Virginia Regiment on continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said corps until he was regularly discharged. That shortly after he entered the state service for and during the War. that his discharge from the Continental service was obtained at the Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania, which he has lost and that the last discharge is herewith forwarded. That he was in the battles of Germantown [4 Oct 1777], Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Prospect Hill and Piscataway [10 May 1777] and was engaged in the defence of Mud Island Fort [Siege of Fort Mifflin on Mud Island, 10 Oct - 15 Nov 1777] – and that he is in reduc'd 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 said services except the affidavit hereto annex'd.

William wright & James Bulifant and John Thompson of Charles City County are exempt'd from all military duty during the war in Consideration of some private services rendered the army

Head Quarters 26th July 1781

Lafayette M. G. [Major General]



The affidavit of Joseph Christian taken before us this 21st May 1818.

This affiant being first duly sworn states that he is well acquainted with the fact of James Bullifant's having enlisted as stated by him in the foregoing declaration. That this affiant serv'd with him in the same Regiment viz the sixth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment altho' this affiant serv'd in a different company and believes the above declaration to be correct.

Ch's. City county to wit: March 19th 1819

This day personally appear'd before us the subscribers justices of the Peace and judges of the county court aforesaid James Bullifant and made oath that he servd two years to the north in the sixth Virg'a. Reg't. on continental establishment under Col. [Mordecai] Buckner. That he was then discharg'd and reinlisted during the war as stated in his preceding declaration. We do moreover certify that the said James Bullifant is in reduc'd. circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Ch's. City County State of Virginia Viz:

On this 15th day of June in the year 1820, personally appeared in open Court, being a Court of record for the County aforesaid, James Bullefant aged sixty six years a resident of the County of Chas City & State aforesaid 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 acts of congress of the 18th March 1818 and 1st

May 1820 – that he the said James Bullefant enlisted for the term of two years on the [blank] day of May in the year [blank] in the State of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt. John Gregory in the Regiment commanded by Colo. Buckner in the line of Virginia on the U. States continental establishment – that he continued to serve in said corps until the expiration of said term of two years when he was discharged from the said service in Richmond, in the state of virginia – when he enlisted for and during the war in Capt. Drews company of Colo. Porterfields Regiment [company of Capt. Thomas H. Drew R13852 in the regiment of Colo. Charles Porterfield BLWt1145-450]. That he was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Prospect Hill, Piscattaway and Campden [sic: Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] – and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, other than that heretofore forwarded to the War Department – That for his services aforesaid under the act of 18th March 1818, he received a pension certificate dated 23rd March 1819 the pension to commence from 21st May 1818 and Certificate numbered 9342) – And in pursuance of the act of 1st 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 disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain person 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, Viz: one sitting chair – 2 pine chests – 1 old gun case – 4 plates – 4 dishes – one dozen knives and forks – 2 Iron pots – 1 Dutch oven – 1 spider – 1 water pail – 1 nogging – 1 tub – 4 jugs – 1 roost cock – 3 hens and 11 chickens – one axe and one hoe. That he is a Farmer by profession, but can only work indifferently well at the hoe, having had the second finger on his right hand shot away. That his wife constitutes the whole of his family who is about 57 years of age and not able to contribute, but in a very small degree towards their joint wants. James hisXmark Bullefant

[The following is from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

We Edw’d Holdcroft & Edw’d Davidson Senr do hereby certify that James Bullifant of Charles City County served as a regular Two years in the continental Army, during the American revolution then reenlisted for Three years and marched on a Southern expedition. Signed this thirtieth day of May 1818
[signed] Edw’d Holdcroft/ Edw’d hisXmark Davidson Sen’r