

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Chenault S39296

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I William Daniel one of the Judges of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Virginia do hereby certify that James Chenault a resident of the County of Buckingham in the said Commonwealth and aged about sixty one years came this day the 22<sup>d</sup> of April 1819 before me at the Courthouse of the County aforesaid and being first duly sworn in open Court made the following statement and declaration that is to say, that he the said James Chenault enlisted in the Revolutionary War with Henry Terrel Captain [sic: Henry Terrill, company raised in Bedford County] in the Fifth Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment which was commanded by Colo. Josiah Parker; for two years, in the year 1776 or 1777 – being an unlettered man he cannot be particular in which year – that he served out the term of two years and was regularly discharged at Vally-forge [sic: Valley Forge, probably winter of 1777-78], which discharge he gave up to some officer of Virginia to obtain his pay, & he cannot further say what has become of it – that he was at the Battles of Brandy Wine [Brandywine, 11 Sep 1777], German Town [Germantown, 4 Oct 1777] & at the Capture of the General Burgoyne at Saratoga [17 Oct 1777] and that he is now in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his country for support, so much so, that he has already been assisted by the Overseers of the Poor for the County aforesaid