

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Stephen Cheatham S39308

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Commonwealth of Virginia, Chesterfield circuit, Towit,

On this third day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the general court for the Commonwealth of Virginia, and assigned to the 5th Judicial circuit; personally appeared Stephen Cheatham aged fifty six years, resident in Chesterfield county in the state of Virginia, 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 Stephen Cheatham was enrolled at Chesterfield courthouse in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain William Bentley which belonged to the regiment commanded by Colo. [John] Green, in the month of July or August in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty; that he continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United states untill some time in the month of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty two, when he was discharged from service in the town of Salsbury [sic: Salisbury] in the state of North Carolina; that he was in the battles of Guilford courthouse [15 Mar 1781], Campden [sic: Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781], Eutaw springs [8 Sep 1781], and the seige at Ninety six [22 May - 19 Jun 1781]: That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

And on the day and year first above mentioned personally appeared before me, John Laprade [pension application S5666] of Chesterfield county, who being duly sworn on the holy evangelists deposeth and saith, that he is now, and was during the revolutionary war, well acquainted with the said Stephen Chatham, and distinctly recollects that he was enroled and belonged to a company attached to the regiment commanded by Colo. Green, which marched from Chesterfield courthouse to the Southward and that he has good reason to believe the said Stephen Cheatham served a tour of eighteen months in the American revolutionary army, on the continental establishment.

The above declaration and affidavit were declared and sworn to before me on the day and year aforesaid.

Peter Randolph

NOTE: A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: Stephen Cheaton/ age 19/ height 5' 8"/ planter/ born and residing in Charles City County/ brown hair/ hazel eyes/ fair complexion/ enlisted 11 Sep 1780 for 18 months.