

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles English (English) S39498

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English Charles (English) VA S39498

(p2) Virginia certificate 8542 to Charles English of Norfolk, pvt in regt of Col Posey 5 years at \$8/mo issued 27Mar1819

(p3) State of Virginia

County of Norfolk

On the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1818 before me the subscriber, one of the judges of the circuit court of the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared Charles English aged sixty three, resident in the county 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 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 Charles English inlisted [sic] in the town of Portsmouth in the state of Virginia in the year 1777 in the company of Capt. Greer who died before his company was made up. Then I was turned over in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Bussie of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Virginia State Regt, and that he continued to serve in the service of the United States until the end of the war, when he was discharged from service in Richmond and State of Virginia, that he as in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Gilford [Guilford County Court House, March 15, 1781] and the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781], and he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support;

(p4) and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said service.

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

I Rich<sup>d</sup> E Parker Judge of the Superior Court of Law for the County of Norfolk in the 2<sup>nd</sup> circuit court of the State of Virginia do certify that it appears to my satisfaction, that the said Charles English, did serve in the revolutionary War as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me, to the Secretary of the Department of War, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress..

s/ Rich<sup>d</sup> E Parker

(p5 6) routine county testimony and certification

William Watts, fellow soldier under Captain Bussies

Robert Thompson, JP

Judge Parker

William Wilson, clk

(p7) note – Virginia State regiment not admissible, not in Continental establishment.

(p8) Additional declaration

Virginia towit:

This 15<sup>th</sup> day of February 1819 personally appeared before me Charles English and upon seeing the indorsement [sic] on his declaration of the 8<sup>th</sup> of July last made at the War department and knowing that he did serve on the continental establishment, & that the indorsement [sic] was

made in consequence of his former declaration and not being sufficiently full, is induced to make the following additional declaration which will enable the department as he hopes to come to a more correct & propitious result. That is to say, that he has stated for the term of three years, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Va State Regiment, that after the battle of Monmouth he was with the army at White Plains where he was taken sick, and to the hospital, & rejoined the army in Winter operations at Middlebrook, at which place before the expiration of his former term of service, he enlisted for the War in the company commanded by Capt \_\_\_ under Lieut. Levin Walker, that he received a three months furlough & rejoined it again at Williamsburg where the second state Regt was discharged except such

(p9) as had enlisted for the war. That he is one of them marched from Williamsburg to Petersburg where he was commanded by Lieut. Col Dabney as he believes since upon a detachment of which he was one being ordered to the Southward, Col Dabney accompanied it to Hillsborough. That this deponent then served a while under Capt. Ewell (he believes Thomas) & afterwards under varying officers & in different regiments among which was Col Posey's, although this deponent never recollects of being commanded in person by him. He was in the battle of Eutaw Springs & thinks Capt. Ewell then commanded him & when he was near [indecipherable word, looks like "Senot"] at a place called Thunderbolt. He was commanded by Col Smith at which place he heard of the cessation of arms. That he is the same person mentioned on the annexed printed list as being in Poseys Regt & underscored and that he was discharged in Richmond Va by Capt. Ewell but that he was lost his discharge in consequence of sending it to Richmond when an application was made for his pay by Capt. Javan Miller under whom he had served at the southern as a continental.

Given under my hand the day & year afd

Richd E Parker

Virginia towit: I Richd Parker, a judge of the  
Ff routine county certification in which Charles English swears that his only property is his  
clothing.

(p13) Dept of Interior summary form

(p14) Apr 1821 f/u letter about no response to Jan 1821 depositions and forms.

(p19) response to Louisville KY about Charles English of Harrison Co KY deceased 02Mar1827.  
Service in 4<sup>th</sup> Pa Regt.

(p20) another response to Louisville KY about Chrles English of Norfolk 2d Va Regt.  
Other notes: Mrs Bell had inquired about William English of Harrison Co and record of the  
Senate of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress and about Charles English and why they stated that William English  
and William English, father and son, were one and the same man.

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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.]

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State of Virginia County of Norfolk SS

This day William Watts,<sup>1</sup> aged about sixty years personally appeared before me, Robert Thompson, a Justice of the Peace for the County and State aforesaid and made oath that Charles English the person named in the annexed certificate and that he, the said Charles English was in the revolutionary War and with him in Captain Thomas Bussies Company from the year 1778 to the end of 1779 and as far as the said William Watts knows, he behaved with the utmost propriety.

Sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818

S/ R. Thompson, JP

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<sup>1</sup> [William Watts W19587](#)