

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Samuel Richardson S40346

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Be it remembered that on this 26th day of June 1818 personally appeared before the undersigned President of the Court of Common pleas for the 7th Circuit in the State of Ohio, Samuel Richardson aged 65 years, who resides in said Circuit and being duly sworn deposes and saith that in the spring of the year he thinks 1779 [probably 1780] he at Hagerstown in Maryland enlisted in the continental army to serve during the war, that soon after Captain Beatty [sic: William Beatty] marched his company in which this deponent was placed from Frederic town [sic: Frederick] to Annapolis [sic: Annapolis], from thence to the south to the army under Genl Green [sic: Nathanael Greene]. This deponent with said Company joined the army under Green at the Seraw Hills [sic: winter camp at Cheraw Hills, 26 Dec 1780 - 28 Jan 1781] in S. Carolina. This deponent was there place in the Company of Capt Benson of the first Maryland Regiment. This deponent was with said Regiment at the battle of Cambden [Battle of Hobkirk Hill near Camden SC, 25 Apr 1781], at the siege of Ninety-Six [22 May - 19 Jun 1781], at the battle at Guilford Court House [15 Mar 1781] & at the Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781]. This deponent with said regiment was placed at the latter end of the war on James Island before Charleston, from this place, the Regiment with this deponent was taken on board a ship called Maryland[?] and landed at Anappolas where he with the regiment was publicly discharged from further services. he received no written discharge. They were given five months pay at the time of discharge, which he thinks was in 1783[?]. The said first regiment was commanded when this deponent joined it by Colonels [John] Gunby & [Otho Holland] Williams Gunby was killed at Guilford Ct. House [sic: died in 1807] Williams then commanded. [Lt. Col. John] Stewart afterwards commanded the Regiment until he was killed by an accident on James Island. This deponent from the time he left Fredericktown as afs'd under Beatty served in said Regiment until the war was over, and he was discharged as above. He is unable to support himself. he has no property other than his necessary clothes is from age and infirmity unable to earn his living by his labour.

Samuel hisXmark Richards

[one or two illegible words] held at Lebanon in the County of Warren in the State of Ohio on the seventh day of August in the year Eighteen hundred and Twenty before the Honorable Joshua Collett Esquire President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the Seventh Circuit and Ignatius Brown Jacob D Lowe and Matthias [last name illegible] Esquires associate Judges of the same Court

The State of Ohio Warren County SS Be it Remembered that on the 22nd day of August in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Twenty Samuel Richardson filed in Court here his petition for the purpose of continuing his pension for Revolutionary Services in the words and of the tenor following to wit

The State of Ohio Warren County SS Seventh Circuit Court of Common Pleas August term 1820, on this 22^d day of August 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a court of Record instituted pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Ohio with unlimited concurrent original jurisdiction in civil and Criminal cases) Samuel Richardson aged sixty seven years in the County of Warren and Circuit aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows towit. He enlisted to serve during the war some time in the spring of 1778 or 79 in the State of Maryland and was attached to the company commanded by Capt. Benson in the Reg't. commanded by Cols. Williams and Gunby in the first Regiment of the Maryland Continental Establishment that I continued to serve in said Corps until the end of the war when I was discharged at Annapolis in the State of Maryland by a resolution of the Congress of the United States that I made a Declaration of the foregoing facts on or about the 26th day of June 1818 and have received a pension certificate numbered 11,323. And I do solemnly swear, that I was a Resident Citizen of the U 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 to diminish it as to

bring myself within the provisions 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 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 whatever except the pension allowed me by government neither have I any real or personal Estate Excepting wearing apparel that my occupation was that of a Butcher that I am now unable to persue it for a livelihood in consequence of bodily infirmities & further that I have not any of my family residing with me neither have I had during the Last twenty five years

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