

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Amos Thomas S42041

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State of North Carolina, County of Bertie: Court of Pleas and quarter sessions held for the said County at the Court house in Windsor on the second Monday of November A.D. 1820

On this 14th day of November A.D. 1820 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of record for the County aforesaid made so by the law of North Carolina, proceeding according to the Course of the common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of its proceedings and having the power of fine and imprisonment) Amos Thomas age 68 years resident in the said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary War as follows; -- that he enlisted for the term of nine months about the month of May in or about the year 1778 in Bertie County North Carolina, in the company commanded by Redding Blount [Reading Blout], and the Regiment commanded by Colonel Hogan [sic, James Hogun] in the line of the State of North Carolina, on the Continental establishment – that he continued in the service of the United States for the said term of nine months, and was discharged from said service in Halifax North Carolina – that he was in no battles. That he has received a pension certificate bearing date of the sixth day of May 1820, but pension commencing on the 25th day of March 1820 at eight dollars per month – the No. of said certificate being 16863, and that he has received no pay on account of said pension Certificate.

And I the said name was Thomas do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th 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 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 other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me Subscribed

1 Iron pot for cooking—1 ax for chopping

1 table—2 Chairs of little value

He further saith that he is a Cooper by occupation unable to work at it by reason of old age infirmity and imperfect vision –that his family is composed of himself & his wife Sarah aged about 50, able to contribute to her support, and Patsy Farmer a girl living with him aged about 19 years able to contribute to her support.

Sworn to & declared by the said Amos Thomas in open court this 14th day of November 1820.

Attest: S/ E. A. Rhodes, Clk.

S/ Amos Thomas, X his mark

State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office 25th of April 1820

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid do hereby Certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this state that Amos Thomas a private in Captain Blount's Company of the 10th Regiment¹ was mustered on the 20th July 1778 or nine months – nothing said of his discharge.

Given under my hand this 25th of April 1820.

S/ Wm Hill

[Applicant gave a substantially identical statement of his services in an application dated March 25, 1820, but it failed to contain the formalities contained in the application set forth above, ie., the earlier application had no statement of the applicant's income and property as required by the Acts of March 18, 1818, and May 1, 1820.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 25, 1820, for service as a private for one year in the North Carolina Continental line.]

¹ J. D. Lewis advises that the designation of the 10th Regiment as the regiment in which a veteran served was often the NC Secretary of State's 'default' designation when he could not find muster rolls giving the actual regiment in which the veteran served. J. D. indicates in his online posting that this veteran served in the 2nd NC Regiment. See, http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/nc_patriot_military_privates_t.htm search "Thomas, Amos."