

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of David Ivy S4417

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State of Tennessee Williamson County

On this 5th day of September 1832 before the Honorable Thomas Stuart Judge of the 4th Judicial Circuit for the State of Tennessee now sitting David Ivy a resident of the state and County aforesaid aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States as a drafted militia man about the first day of January 1781 under the following named officers: Captain John Hicks under whom he served a part of the time and when he left the command he does not recollect who filled his place, the rest of Company Officers not recollected Commanded by Colonel Merriweather [probably Thomas Meriwether], Major Duval [probably William Duvall] attached to General Robert Lawson's Brigade he marched from Brunswick Court house near where he resided in Virginia to Long Onery [Long Ordinary or Tavern] near Petersburg & there drew arms – he then marched to Cabin Point, then to Smithfield – then to Mackey's Mills and their guarded the magazine's at that place for some time – then to Stono's Mills where he met another Regiment and then to Babb's Old Fields and their discharged sometime in April same year 1781 making a period of upwards of three months he received a discharge for this campaign but has lost or destroyed it. He was engaged in no regularly fought battles does not recollect any of the Continental or Regular Regiments or Companies nor the names of any of the officers of those troops.

He entered the service of the United States a second time as a drafted militia man about the first day of May in the same year 1781 under the following officers Captain John Lucas rest of company officers not recollected Commanded by Colonel Nathaniel Lucas and attached to General Robert Lawson's Brigade and marched from Brunswick Courthouse Virginia to Petersburg – to Carter's ferry on James River and to Rappahannock River above Fredericksburg and there formed a junction with the main Army commanded by General Lafayette and continued under his command until discharged in Hanover County Virginia about the middle of August same year 1781, he received a discharge also for this campaign but has lost or destroyed it believing it to be of no value. He was in no battles during this campaign and does not recollect any officers but Generals Lawson and Lafayette does not recollect the number of any Continental or Regular Regiments or Companies he served this campaign 3 months.

He again was drafted and entered the service of the United States a 3rd time about the first day of September and year 1781 under Captain Turner Binum [Turner Bynum] (rest of Company

officers not recollected) under whom he served till he reached York town and was then commanded by another Captain whose name he has forgotten, he was commanded by a French Colonel whose name he has also forgotten and was attached to General Muhlenberg's [Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade. He marched from Brunswick Court house to Petersburg and thence down the River and straight to Yorktown and remained there during the Siege – was occupied for some weeks working on the Breastworks and ditches and preparing the fortifications and after the Surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] to the combined forces of Washington and Lafayette was marched homewards and discharged sometime in the month of November same year 1781, he received a discharge for this campaign which together with the former ones he has lost he did not preserve them with any care they being of no value to him at that time. He recollects that during the campaign he served with and knew Generals Washington, Lafayette, Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], Muhlenberg, and Lawson the number of Regiments and Companies he does not remember. He is so old that his memory does not serve him as to many minor events of the foregoing campaigns and his statements here made are all that he now remembers concerning them. He lived in Brunswick County Virginia when he was severally called into the service of the United States, he resided in Brunswick County Virginia after the Revolution till 1816 – he then moved to North Carolina and resided in Halifax County till 1823 at the time he came to Tennessee and has since resided in Williamson County.

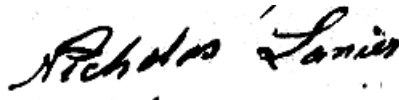
He knows of no person who can prove his services except Nicholas Lanier who served with him the first campaign mentioned in this declaration – commencing about the first of January 1781 and ending same year in April. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state whatever.

S/ David Ivey, X his mark

[C. H. Hines, a clergyman, and Thomas Pate gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I Nichols Linear [sic] of the County of Williamson and State of Tennessee do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with David Ivy who has signed and sworn to the declaration I served with him a three months tour in the Revolutionary war beginning about the first of January 1781 and ending about the middle of April following and that he served as he stated in his said declaration and under the officers in his declaration mentioned and that he marched over the Country as in his declaration mentioned and that he is reputed to have served two other Campaigns in the revolutionary war and that I concur in that opinion.

S/ Nicholas Lanier



State of Tennessee Williamson County: SS

On this 6th day of August 1833 before the Honorable Thomas Stuart Judge of the fourth Judicial Circuit for the State of Tennessee now sitting David Ivy a resident of the State and County aforesaid aged seventy-one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth make the following amendment to his declaration in order to obtain the benefits of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born on the 11th day of June 1762 in Brunswick County in the State of Virginia, that he never had any record of his age but received his information from his parents.

That by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as

to the precise length of his services but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades; for nine months he served as a drafted militia man in the 3 campaigns mentioned in his said declaration which this is intended to amend and for such services he claims a pension.

S/ David Ivy, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]