

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Nelson Crosby S45705 VA  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

I Nelson Crosby now a resident in the Town of Salem in the County of Rockingham and State of New Hampshire being in the sixty first year of my age depose and make oath, that early in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy five, I think in the month of June or July, I enlisted into Richard Clough Andersons company in Hanover county, Virginia, in the fifth Virginia regiment commanded by Col Josiah Parker for the term of three years. that I served said Term in said regiment and in Col. Balls [Burgess Ball's] regiment in General Mullenburghs [sic: Peter Muhlenberg's] Brigade in the States of Pennsylvania & New Jersey, was in the battles of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777] & Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], and was honourably discharged.

That in the year of our Lord 1778, the month I do not recollect – I enlisted into Capt. [John] Jones company in Col Richard Parkers regiment in the Virginia line for the term of two years & served the same term in South Carolina & Georgia and was at the siege of Charleston [29 mar - 12 may 1780] & Savannah [16 Sep - 19 Oct 1779] and was honorably discharged in the year of our Lord 1780.

That the last two years I served as a quarter master Sergeant in said Richard Parkers regiment under Gen'l. Lincolns [Benjamin Lincoln's] command and had a quarter master Sergeants warrant from said Parker, which is worn out & lost, as also my discharges, for I have not been in Virginia my native State for more than thirty years. That I am poor & lame, have no property and have in past, for several years past been supported by the said Town of Salem. [signed 1 May 1818] Nelson Crosby

District of New Hampshire Ss–

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record by the laws of the United States holden before John S. Sherburne Judge of said District Nelson Crosby being aged sixty three years resident in Salem County of Rockingham in said District who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows

I Nelson Crosby early in the year 1775 enlisted into Richard Clough Anderson's company in the fifth Virginia Regiment in the Virginia line commanded by Col. Josiah Parker for the term of three years & served said term in said Parkers regiment & in Col Balls regiment in Gen Mullenberghs Brigade in the States of Pennsylvania & New Jersey, was in the battles of Brandywine Germantown & Monmouth and was honourably discharged. In the year 1778 I enlisted into Capt Jones Company in Richard Parkers regiment in the Virginia line for two years & served that term in South Carolina & Georgia and was at the Siege of Charleston & Savanah & was honourably discharged – date of my original declaration is May 1 1818 – Number ro my pension certificate 4062 –

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

I am a labourer on land but being lame from lately having my leg broken cannot do much. I have neither wife nor children and have been in part supported by the said Town of Salem for some years past  
Nelson Crosby

Schedule

Real estate none

Personal estate none  
besides necessary wearing apparel  
Nelson Crosby

NOTE: On Crosby's pension certificate it is noted that he died 18 Nov 1821.