

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Seth Hatcher S5479

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State of Virginia & County of Powhatan to wit:

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before [blank] the Court of Powhatan County aforesaid, now sitting, Seth Hatcher, a resident of the same County, aged 72 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he was born in the County of Goochland (as he has been informed), and State of Virginia, but that shortly after his birth he was carried into the County of Powhatan & has spent his life up to this time altogether therein. That the time of his birth was registered, but this register has passed off into the possession of another family - That he has, however, seen this family record of his age, & according to his recollection of it, he was born on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, in the year 1760 - & that he is consequently now in the 73<sup>rd</sup> year of his age - That in September, in the year '77, he was called into the service, under the command of Capt. Thomas Harris, & marched down to Williamsburg, where he continued a time, how long he does not recollect - & then to York-Town, where he again staid a time, & where he was discharged & directed to return home. that he supposes the length of this tour must have exceeded two months - That during his second tour he served under the command of Captain George Williamson, & went first to Petersburg, then to Prince George Church, then several miles below to Hood's landing, where they fired at the British in the night the British having come out upon the land, - then went to Cabin Point [in Surry County], then to Mackay's Mills [Mackie's Mills], then to Suffolk - Then to a place called Jericho where they tarried a time, & then back to Suffolk where they again staid a time, & where they were discharged - that this tour, as he believes, continued between two or three months - That during his third, & last tour he was again commanded by Capt George Williamson, & started to the South, as he believes, early in February, & reached his home some time in April - That they travelled through Cumberland & Prince Edward Counties & along in that line of direction, & crossed the Roanoake river [sic: Roanoke River] at Taylor's ferry [S of Boydton], & were in the engagement at Guilford in N. Carolina [Battle of Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] - That they were commanded by General [Robert] Lawson, Col. Beverley Randolph, & Maj'r St. George Tucker until they were joined by Genl. [Nathanael] Greene - That in this battle he received a wound ~~lost a finger by a ball, & was slightly wounded in the leg by another ball~~ - That the length of this third tour was about three months, & that altogether he has no doubt that he was in active service eight months at the least - That he served altogether as a militiaman, & that he has never had any written discharge-

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to, & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

[signed] Seth Hatcher