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Pension Application of William Moore S5787

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State of Virginia

Rockbridge County Sc:

On this 7th day of August in the year 1832. William Moore of said County and State personally appeared in the County Court of said County, in open Court, (the said Court being a Court of record for said County of Rockbridge) and being duly sworn, according to Law, did on oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June the 17th [sic: 7th] 1832. That is to say. that he the said William Moore, served as a private Soldier in the Militia, in the service of the state of Virginia, during the Revolutionary War one Tour of three months and fifteen days, including the time going and returning, under the command of Capt. Samuel Wallace, (now dead) of said County and State of Virginia, and of Lieutenant Edmondson dec'd., he marched from Lexington in Rockbridge County to Portsmouth in said State, about the first of January 1781 and was discharged about the 25th of April 1781, the said Wallace's Company was under the command of Col. John Bowyer and General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg]. That he served another tour as Captain of a volunteer Company, with which he marched to Richmond in said State, soon after the incursion of the British under Col Tarlton [sic: Banastre Tarleton to the town of Charleston, in the same year [sic: see endnote], and remained in service about three weeks. That he marched again about the 15th September 1781 to YorkTown, as Captain of a Company of Militia; when he arrived in service, he was placed under the command of Col. Samuel Lewis and of Major Long and Major McElhany. from York Town he marched with the British prisoners as a part of the Guard to Winchester in said State, and was discharged some time in the month of December 1781. rather more than three months from the time he last went into the service. He returned to Rockbridge again with not more than twenty of the men he had carried with him. He also served several other short tours of which he does not deem it necessary to give a more minute account, the Tours of which he has already given an account, amounting to more than six months.

For confirmation of the above statement he refers to the accompanying testimony of John Davidson [pension application S8304], John McClain [S5744] and William McKee of said County of Rockbridge.

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 any Agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid Wm Moore

John Davidson a Citizen of Rockbridge County and State of Virginia, aged seventy five years in October next, being duly Sworn, according to Law, saith, That he was a soldier in the company of Captain Grey [probably David Gray] of Rockbridge County at the Siege of York Town Virginia 1781, and was serving in that capacity, when William Moore of same County arrived there in command of a company. He Moore, as the subscriber recollects, arrived on the 4th of October 1781 – had the command as Captain, of a company of men, and continued in that capacity until the 14th of that month when the subscriber was discharge and, as he has every reason to believe and does believe, until the capture of Cornwallis [19 Oct], & perhaps longer. The subscriber further states, that he marched as a private in the company of Andrew Moore [pension application W1454] together with William Moore, aforesaid, who was a private in the company of Samuel Wallace, leaving what is now the County of Rockbridge about the 1st of January 1781 and marching to the Town of Portsmouth in Virginia. That he served with said Moore until the 25th of April 1781, when their respective companies were discharged. Captain Wallace and Moore were under the command of Col. John Bowyer who was commanded by General Muhlenberg.

John Davidson

John McLane a citizen of Rockbridge County and State of Virginia near seventy six years of age, being first duly sworn, saith, That in January 1781 he marched to Portsmouth Virginia under the command of Captain Andrew Moore, that William Moore, who lived his neighbor in Rockbridge marched at or near the same time, to Portsmouth also under the command of Captain Samuel Wallace of Rockbridge County. That the two companies of Andrew Moore and Samuel Wallace belonged to the same Regiment and were both discharged on the 25th of April 1781, and that he the subscriber, had the daily opportunity of seeing said Moore and knows that he served as a private from January until 25th of April 1781 when he was discharged with his company. John McLain.

NOTE: "Charleston" is evidently a mistake. Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton left Charleston SC in May 1780 and raided Chesterfield Courthouse in May 1781 and Charlottesville VA in the following month.