

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Peek (Peak) S5903

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State of Virginia Charlotte County: SS

On this 6th day of September 1832 personally appeared before me Cornelius Barnes a Justice of the Peace in the County aforesaid, Richard Peek a resident of the County aforesaid and State aforesaid aged eighty-seven years last December, who being first sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832. Saith that he was born in the year 1744 in the County of Amelia and has resided in the County of Prince Edward until December 1831, since that time in the County of Charlotte. That in the year 1779 he was drafted to serve in the Virginia Militia and he marched under Captain Henry Walker of Prince Edward County his Colonel was ___Mason he does not recollect of what County at this time, and that they marched to Cooper River in South Carolina, and that they joined several other Troops at Salisbury in North Carolina and that he served a tour of five months, under General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln], and was discharged which discharge he has lost. – And in February 1781, he was again drafted and marched under the command of Captain John Bibb of P Edward County to Guilford Court House North Carolina and was in the battle [March 15, 1781] at said place under the command of General Lawson [Robert Lawson] of P. Edward and was discharged after serving a tour of about three months. And in the fall of 1781 he volunteered under Captain Charles Price of Prince Edward County and served a tour in Prince Edward County in collecting beeves for the Army and in carrying them to York Town but does not recollect at this time how long the Tour was, he supposes about two months. – He states that he has no documentary evidence by which he can establish his claims, his discharges were verbal or if written, he has lost them, In all his tours of service he states he served his full term of service, and was honorably discharged, 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.

S/ Richard Peek, X his mark

Names of persons to whom Richard Peek is known and who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution –

Jehu Simmons, Colonel James Madison, Colonel Charles Woodson, David Anderson and Philip Matthews

I do hereby certify that I have been acquainted with Richard Peek for some time and do not think that he has been able from age and bodily infirmity to go to Prince Edward C House since I have known him – Given under my hand this sixth day of September 1832

S/ Cornelius Barnes

[John Baldwin, a clergyman, and David Anderson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$33.33 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for service as a private for 10 months in the Virginia militia.]