

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Giles Ridout S6002

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Virginia Greensville County to wit

On this 5th day of November in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of the County aforesaid now sitting, Giles Ridout resident of the County aforesaid and State 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 in the Virginia militia, under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That in the year 1780, he was drafted in the militia of Brunswick County Virginia of which County this County then formed a part, and marched under Captain Edmund Wilkins to a place called Stono's Mills in Isle of Wight County, and from thence to Chuckatuck, about four miles from Mackie's [Mackey's] Mill, then General Muhlenberg's Head Quarters, and served out his tour of three months, and returned home – that he remained at home a short time, and volunteered and marched under Captain James Harrison, Colonel Jos. Peebles, from Brunswick to the point of Fork, or junction of Dan & Staunton Rivers, and at Clarksville, in Mecklenburg, joined the Army under Baron Steuben, and retreated by Charlotte Court House, & thence across James River, and joined General Lafayette – and at Bottoms Bridge on Chickahominy, where a battle was expected under General Lawson, with a detachment of Cornwallis' Army, at which place, after the retreat of the British Army, was discharged after performing another tour of 3 months – that some short time after his return in the summer of 1781, he was drafted again in the militia from the said County under Captain Buckner Stith, and Colonel Richard Elliott, and marched by Petersburg, and crossed James River at Swans Point to James town, and joined the Army under Marquis de Lafayette him, and participated in the whole siege of York, until the surrender of Lord Cornwallis which took place in October 1781, and was then in service, then between 2 and 3 months in the whole between 8 and 9 months – and that he has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person by whom he can prove his services as above stated – 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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Witness: S/ J. G. Mason

S/ Giles Ridout, X his mark

[Simon B Sykes, a clergyman, and John Goodrum, Senr. gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the Virginia militia.]