

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Robertson S6022

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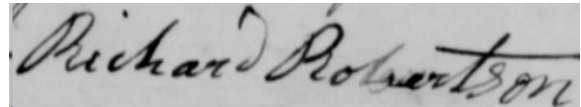
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State of Virginia Franklin County Towit

On this 4th day of September 1832 appeared in open court before Henry Carper, John M Holland, Wm B Williams & Moses Greer of Franklin county now sitting Richard Roberson, a resident of the county of Franklin and state of Virginia aged about seventy three 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 the 7th 1832. that he is birth a Virginian & now resides Franklin Cty That he entered the service of the United States from Bedford county under the command of Lieutenant Christopher Ervin and ensign [Thomas] Nance from Bedford County Va about the month of September seventeen hundred and eighty. that he was marched from Bedford county to Hillsborough in North Carolina and there was put under Cap. Webber and joined General [Horatio] Gates – and from there was marched to Charlotte Town in North or South Carolina [sic: Charlotte NC] At which place General Green took command of the army [sic: Nathanael Greene, 3 Dec 1780]; and he was marched to the Cheraw Hills in South Carolina where he went into winter quarters [Jan 1781]. That sometime afterwards he was detached from the army to go down to Pedie [sic: Pee Dee River] and that he there helped to take some British and tories with whom he marched to Pittsylvania, old court house Va. under General Stephens [sic: Edward Stevens] at which place he was discharged on the 14th Feb 1781, having served in that tour five months.

In April or May following he was drafted from the county of Bedford under Cap. Chatin Dogget [sic: Chatton Doggett] and marched to Dandridge's Old fields being head quarters in Hanover county Va. the place of rendesvous. That he was attached to General [Robert] Lawson's Brigade – General Lafayette being Commander in Chief From Dandridges Old fields he marched to James Town on James River. – after which he was marched under General Lawson to New Kent Courthouse There received a discharge having served three months.

In August following (as substitute) he entered the service in Chesterfield Co under the command of General Lawson and marched to York Town in Va. and then joined the main army under command of Gen Washington and served at the surrender of Cornwallis [19 Oct 1781] and marching from that place to Winchester Va. with some British prisoners he on his way a little before he arrived, was taken sick and was discharged having served three months in that tour that he has lost his discharges. That he does hereby relinquish every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn and subscribed to the day and year aforesaid

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard Robertson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, typical of the late 18th or early 19th century.

[Capitalization partly corrected.]

The affidavit of Joseph Hunly [Joseph Hundly, pension application S5581] Taken this sixth day of day of August Eighteen hundred thirty Two at Rocky Mount in this County of Franklin and State of Virginia This affiant sayeth that while in service in the Revolutionary War at the Town of hills Borough and County of [blank] and State of North Carolina that he saw Richard Roberson come out to that place from the County of Bedford about the first of October Seventeen hundred and Eighty under the command of Lieutenant Irvin and Ensign Nance. That after he arrived there he was put under the command of Captain Webber from the County of Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] and State of Virginia. That General Gates was the Commander in Chief untill we arrived at Charlott Town in North Carolina at which place General Green took the command of the army and continued our Commander in Chief That from Charlotte Town he

was marched to the Cheraw hills in South Carolina, where the army went into winter quarters, that the said Richard Roberson was shortly afterwards marched off on duty from the Cheraw hills and on my return home I fell in again with the said Richard Roberson at Pittsylvania old Court house in the army that we were both discharged at that place on the fourteen day of February seventeen hundred and eighty one

This affiant further sayeth that the said Richard Roberson was drafted and went again on a tower of duty from Bedford County about the last of April on the same year under the command of Captain Chattin Doggit that he was marched to Dandridges old field in Virginia the place of general rendezvous that General Lawson was the commander of the militia, but General Lafaatt was the Commander in Chief that from Dandrides old field he was marched to old James Town on James river in Va where the British took to there shipping from there he was marched back to New Kent Courthouse where he was discharged that from the time he set out untill his return home from said tower of duty he believes to be three months and a half during said tower of duty

This affiant futher sayeth that in the last of August seventeen hundred and eighty one the said Richard Roberson went with him down to Emilia [sic: Amelia] county and from there he went to Chesterfield County Va, where he inlisted and went on to Yorktown in Va, that he believes he served a tower of duty there as he did not return home again untill the last of November seventeen hundred and eighty one and further this affiant saith not

Joseph Hundley

NOTE: Nancy Hundley (or Hundly) certified Robertson's two tours of duty. Moses Greer (pension application S8609) and Joseph Hundly certified Robertson's character and reputation as a soldier of the Revolution.