

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Shores S6083

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Virginia to wit,

At a Court continued and held for Hampshire County the 20th day of August 1818 Present James Dailey, William Fox, Henry Cookus and John Sloan Gentlemen Justices – Thomas Shores aged sixty-five years resident in the County of Hampshire came into Court and declared upon oath in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" that he enlisted on apple fry ridge [sic Apple Pie Ridge] in the County of Frederick in the Company commanded by Captain George Rice that he was attached to the 11th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Daniel Morgan afterwards General Daniel Morgan, that it was sometime in the Spring of 1777 that he enlisted – that he continued in the service for three years and was discharged at Frederick Town in Maryland he thinks in February or March 1780 but is certain of its being one of those months in said year that he was at the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Cooches bridge [Cooch's Bridge or Iron Hill, September 3, 1777], and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of said services.

[Attested by John B White, clerk of court, on August 10, 1819.]

Virginia Hampshire County Sct.

Samuel Abernathy and Lydia Abernathy this day personally appeared before the Subscriber a justice of the peace in & for said County and made oath that Thomas Shores an applicant for a pension under the law of the United States of the 18 of March 1818 did served during the Revolutionary war as stated in the annexed declaration & they knew of their own knowledge the fact above stated & that they further know that said Thomas Shores is now in reduced Circumstances and Stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support. Given under my hand this 4th day of August 1819

S/ Jacob Smith

Virginia Hampshire County to wit

On this 14th day of January 1822 personally appeared in open Court it being a Court of record having unlimited Jurisdiction in all sums above twenty dollars in all causes both in law and equity and the power of imposing fine and imprisonment Thomas Shores aged Sixty eight years resident in Hampshire County Virginia who being first duly sworn according to law doth

on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows: That he enlisted in Frederick County Virginia in the year 1777 in a Company commanded by Captain Rice and attached to the 11th Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment that he served three years in said Regiment that he was at the Battles of Cooch's Bridge, in the State of Pennsylvania [sic Delaware], Brandywine and Stony Point [July 16, 1779] which will more fully appear by his original declaration filed in the War office and dated the 18th day of October 1819 upon which he has obtained a Certificate of pension Numbered 13312 and he did solemnly swear that he was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that he has not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of his property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring himself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that he has not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to him nor has he any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by him subscribed viz. one hundred forty-four acres of Land worth two hundred eighty-eight dollars, one cow and three yearlings worth \$15, one mare and colt worth \$30 about twenty dollars due him from James Dailey [?] Six dollars due him from John Vandiver and about fifteen dollars due him from other persons, and two hides and one half worth Six dollars. To the best of his belief he owes about One thousand Dollars, that his family consist of himself his son Thomas aged about thirty nine years Margaret his Daughter aged about thirty years and that his only dependence for support his on his son Thomas, who continues to live with him and that he the said Shores is unable to labor for a support.

[Attested by John B White, clerk of the Hampshire County court on the 15th of January, 1822.]

State of Virginia County of Hampshire to wit

On this 24 day of September 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Hampshire it being a court of record of unlimited Jurisdiction in law and equity in sums above twenty dollars Thomas Shores aged 78 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832. That he enlisted in Frederick County Virginia in the year 1777 in a company commanded by Captain Rice and attached to the 11th Virginia Regiment in the Continental establishment – that he served three years in said Regiment, that he was in the battles of Cooches Bridge [Battle of Cooch's Bridge, September 3, 1777] in the State of Pennsylvania, Brandywine [September 11, 1777] and Stony Point [July 16, 1779] and that he was discharged at Fredericktown Maryland he thinks in February or March 1780, that the said 11th the Regiment was under the command of Colonel Daniel Morgan afterwards General Dan Morgan, that his name was formerly on the pension list roll of the Virginia agency and stricken off on account of the amount of his property that 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.

S/ Thomas Shores, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]

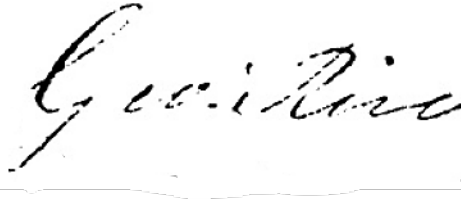
Addendum to Thomas Shores S6083

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. 20 May 2021.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do Certify that Thomas Shores a private in the Continental Service and Virginia Line was
Inlisted for three year which time Served & was discharged

Geo Rice
Late Capt in the
11 V Reg't

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Geo Rice", written in black ink on a white background. The signature is positioned below the typed name and military rank.