

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Moses Sweeny S6180

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State of Virginia Buckingham County to wit

On the 11th day of August 1832 personally appeared before me George Christian one of the Commonwealth's Justices of the Peace for the County of Buckingham and one of the Justices of the County Court of Buckingham and state aforesaid (which is a court of record) Moses Sweeny a resident of said County, and state aforesaid aged seventy-six 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 the 7th of June 1832, that he enlisted in the Army of the United States from the County of Buckingham in 1776 don't recollect the month under the Command of Captain Thomas Patterson, Joseph Curd Lieutenant and James Burnet [Joseph Burnett] Ensign, marched from Buckingham to Williamsburg Joined the 7th Regiment under the command of Colonel Buckner as well as I recollect, that he was also at Gwins Island [Gwinn Island] marched from Williamsburg to Maryland, the City of Baltimore through the Jerseys and to this State of New York, that he retreated & don't recollect at this time any of the names of the other officers that he was taken sick after serving about eighteen months lost a good many of his teeth and a part of his jaw bone and was discharged from the service, received a discharge don't recollect who signed his discharge or what became of it, that he was born in the County of Amherst in 1756 has no register of his Age and now resides in Buckingham for proof of his service, he refers to John Lipford¹ and Captain John Thomas² both of the County of Buckingham, he also refers to Alexander Patterson, Captain William Patterson, Doctor Joel W. Flood [?], Colo. Thomas P. Flood as to his character for veracity, from age and infirmity and bodily infirmity he is unable to attend at the Court house of his County to qualify to his declaration, he hereby relinquishes every claim 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/ Moses Sweeny, X his mark

State of Virginia Buckingham County to wit

John Lipford a soldier of the revolution seventy-seven years old, was in the Army of the revolution in Captain Thomas Patterson's Company from the County of Buckingham, that Moses Sweeny was enlisted in the said Company in 1776 served a part of his time and was discharged from the service on account of sickness, that he does not recollect how long he served before said Sweeny was discharged.

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Justice of the Peace for said County this 4th day of

¹ [John Lipford S8866](#)

² Probably the same man as [John Thomas S46515](#)

August 1832
S/ Jonathan P. Phelps

S/ John Lipford, X his mark

This day Captain John Thomas of the County of Buckingham made oath before me Finch Scruggs a Justice of the peace for said County that Moses Sweeny of the County of Buckingham, was a brother Soldier with him under the command of Captain Thomas Patterson deceased who was an officer of the Virginia State line, of the Continental Army of the United States, and that the said Moses Sweeny entered in the year 1776 for two years, and served faithfully until he was discharged. Given under my hand this 14th day of August 1832.

S/ Finch Scruggs, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 18 months in the Virginia service.]