

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Nathaniel Thacker S6225

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State of Virginia

At a Court held for Albemarle County, the 6th day of November 1832.

On this sixth day of November 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of said County now sitting – Nathaniel Thacker a resident of said County & State, aged seventy-eight years on the 2nd day of March last, 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 June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service in the war of the Revolution in the militia from the County of Fluvanna Virginia under Captain Anthony Haden, marched to the Barracks in the County of Albemarle & State aforesaid, when the prisoners of Burgoyne's Army were stationed, That he served two tours of three months each, in all six months, at the Barracks guarding said prisoners, he cannot be positive as to the date, but it was during the time the prisoners of said Army were stationed at the Albemarle Barracks & soon after the troops were stationed there. – He served part of said time under Captain Haden, and the balance under Captain James Adams. He was discharged and has lost his discharge – About eighteen months or two years afterwards, he was again drafted in the Militia and marched under Captain Daniel Tilghman [Daniel Tilman] from Fluvanna County to Richmond where he was when the British forces were on the southern bank of the James River. He saw the burning by the Enemy of the town of Manchester [April 30, 1781] opposite Richmond. From Richmond he marched to Morvan Hills [Malvern Hills], and was on duty in the neighborhood of Williamsburg. General Nelson was the commanding officer during the greater part of the time. He was marched towards the Rappahannock [River], and under the command of the Marquis Lafayette, he marched through the counties above Tidewater called then the wilderness, and near the mouth of mychunk Creek [Mechunk Creek in Albemarle and Fluvanna Counties, Va.?] – Then proceeded down the country and was discharged about James town – and in all he served about three months this tour, – he obtained a discharge but has lost it. He can obtain several affidavits of credible persons who know of his service, and now refers to such as are annexed. 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 & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Nathl Thacker¹

Whereupon, the Court propounded to the applicant the following Interrogatories

¹ the signature of the handwriting is identical to that in the document itself and consequently I do not believe it is the actual signature of the veteran

1. Where and in what year were you born?

A. I was born in Fluvanna County Virginia in 1754

2. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A. I have none.

3. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war, and where do you now live.

Out for. When called into service I lived in Fluvanna County State of Virginia after the revolution I removed to Albemarle County Virginia where I now live.

4. How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a Substitute for whom?

A. I was drafted.

5. State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental & Militia Regiments as you can recollect & the General Circumstances of your service.

A. I don't now remember more than I have stated in my declaration.

6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

A. I received a discharge but have lost it.

Daniel Thacker² this day appeared personally before me a justice of the aforesaid County and made oath that he knows that Nathaniel Thacker served in the militia during the Revolutionary War three months under Captain Tilman in the second Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Dabney and that this was just before the close of the war. Given under my hand this eighth day of October 1832.

S/ Wm C. Adams

Albemarle County to wit

This day Micajah Wheeler³ personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for said County and made oath that he knows Nathaniel Thacker served in the Militia during the Revolutionary war, I knew Nathaniel Thacker in the Militia at the Albemarle barracks, and I believe that said Thacker served a three or six months tour there, and this was about the year 1779 or 1780 – And I also knew said Thacker in the Militia at the Morvan Hills, Williamsburg and other places and I believe he served a three month tour in the second Regiment under Colonel Dabney, Major Armistead and General Nelson and this was about the year 1780 or 1781. This was taken at Micajah Wheeler's own house – he is not able to go out from home. Given under my hand & seal this 11th of October 1832

S/ Lewis Teel

[John S. Abell, a clergyman, and Joshua Wheeler gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for nine months service as a private in the Virginia militia.]

² FPA S7707 transcribed and posted 11/21/11

³ [Micajah Wheeler S6362](#)