

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Vaughan S6298

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State of Virginia County of Culpeper: SS

On the 16th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Court of Culpeper County now sitting Thomas Vaughan a resident of said County and State aged 74 years who being 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he was born in Caroline County Virginia on the 11th of August 1758, and removed at an early age to Culpeper where he now lives.

That he entered the service as a drafted militia private in the company of Captain Richard Waugh and Lieutenant Rueben Moore and marched to the northern Army under Washington and joined him in Pennsylvania and continued with him till about the first December following when he was discharged.

That he was in the Regiment commanded by Colonel James Barbour and Major Roberts – that Barbour gave up the command in Maryland and Roberts commanded to the Army and was attached to Crawford's Regiment making four months tour

That he was again in the service at Hunter's forge when it was expected the enemy would destroy it – that he was not gone long but had created for a tour.

That in May 1781 he was again drafted in Captain Staunton's Company and Lieutenant Hone [?]. That he marched in that tour towards Richmond and meeting the Marquis [Marquis de Lafayette] retreating before the enemy he returned with the Marquis to Raccoon Ford in Culpeper and afterwards went to Malvin Hilles [Malvern Hills] where he was discharged – upwards of two months Tour.

That about the last of August or first of September 1781 he was again drafted under Captain Yancey and marched through Williamsburg finally arrived at York at the commencement of the siege and continued there until Cornwallis surrendered, and was discharged making a two months Tour – That he was not again in the service.

That he can prove the above service by Captain Moore,¹ Almond Vaughan² and Reuben Rosson.³

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 or territory.

¹ FPA W8466

² [Almond Vaughan W6342](#)

³ FPA S6016

Sworn to and subscribed this day in open Court

S/ Thos. Vaughan



I Reuben Moore of the County of Culpeper Virginia hereby certify that I was in the revolutionary Army with Thomas Vaughan who subscribed the above declaration and held a Lieutenant's Commission in the company to which he belonged in the two tours of which he speaks as being in the North with Washington and also under the Marquis and discharged at Malvin Hills. He rendered faithfully the above named tours until the companies were discharged he has borne a good character ever since.

Sworn to and subscribed this day in open Court.

S/ R. Moore



We Almond Vaughan and Reuben Rosson residence of Culpeper County Virginia hereby certify that we were with Thomas Vaughan who subscribed the above declaration in the service at Hunter's forge as he states and know that he performed that service and have known him ever since in the County of Culpeper.

S/ Almond Vaughan

S/ Reuben Rosson, X his mark

I Reuben Rosson of Culpeper County was with Thomas Vaughan in the tour of the siege of York, as he states in his declaration and know that he faithfully performed that tour.

S/ Reuben Rosson, X his mark

And the Court then proceeded to propound the following interrogatories to the applicant, he being under oath, and which he answered as is herein after recorded viz.:

Quest 1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer. In the County of Caroline on the 11th of August 1758

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

Answer. My parents have told me the date of my birth. I have no register except what I have made from that

Quest 3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I lived in Culpeper when I first entered the service and I have lived there ever since

Quest 4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Answer. I was drafted in every instance.

Quest 5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. I have stated the officers I served under. I knew Washington, Lafayette, Muhlenberg, Wayne and many others, the circumstances of my service are stated in my declaration.

Quest 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and

what has become of it?

Answer. I never had a discharge in writing. I was discharged in Companies.

Quest 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. I might name Captain Moore, Captain Lewis, Mr. John Thompson, Honorable John S Barbour, Joseph Hansbrough Esquire and others – I prove my service.

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