

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Micajah Wheeler S6362

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State of Virginia County of Albemarle

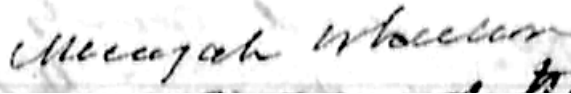
On this the [illegible] day of October 1832, personally appeared before me L. Teel a Justice of the peace duly commissioned in and for the County of Albemarle and State aforesaid, Micajah Wheeler aged seventy-six years in the month of June last, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

He was born in the County of our moral, Virginia on the 20th day of June 1756 and has resided in said County ever since except when occasionally absent for short periods. He entered the service during the revolution in the year 1780 or 1781 under Captain John Miller, and marched from said County of Albemarle to Richmond, thence to the Morven Hills [Malvern Hills], thence to Williamsburg, thence back to Richmond, where he joined the Army under General Lafayette and under him was with the Army during the year 1780 or 1781 in its route through the counties of Louisa, Fluvanna, Goochland and to Maubine Hills [Malvern Hills] to Richmond. He recollects the names of the following officers under whom he served – viz.: General Thomas Nelson, Colonel William Dabney and Major __ Armistead. He was stationed at Richmond when Manchester on the opposite side [of] the James River was burnt by the enemy about the year 1780 or 1781. He was three months in the service as a militia man this tour. He served also a tour of three months at the Albemarle Barracks where the British prisoners were, under Captain Benjamin D Wheeler & under Colonel __ Taylor. He was a sergeant during this time and this tour was about the year 1779 or 1780.

He has no papers having lost his discharges if he ever received any in writing, of which he is not positive. He refers however to the statements of William Thompson and Nathaniel Thacker¹ to prove his service –

He relinquishes all claim to any pension except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any state.

S/ Micajah Wheeler



signed and sworn to before me a justice of the peace for said County and state and I do certify that the said Micajah Wheeler is too infirm to attend at the courthouse. Given under my hand and seal this day & year above written.

S/ L. Teel

¹ FPA S6225

State of Virginia Albemarle County to wit: This day William Thompson personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for said County and being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement. He knows Micajah Wheeler a resident of the County of Albemarle & State aforesaid & has known him for 5? [second digit written over and illegible] years – That he knows that said Wheeler was in the service in the militia during the revolution as follows – the is in the year 1779 or 1780 I know Micajah Wheeler as a Sergeant under Captain Benjamin D Wheeler at the Albemarle Barracks and I believe he remained there a 3 months tower [tour]

S/ L. Teel

State of Virginia Albemarle County to wit

This day Nathaniel Thacker personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for said County and being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement. He knows Micajah Wheeler a resident of the County of Albemarle & State aforesaid I have known him for 52 or 53 years – that he knows that said Wheeler was in the service in the revolutionary war. I know Micajah Wheeler in the year 1779 or 1780 at the Albemarle Barracks in the Militia I believe he remained at the Barracks a three months tower. I also know the said Micajah Wheeler to serve a three month tower I believe in the lower country in the second Regiment under General Thomas Nelson, Colonel Dabney and Major Armsted and I think this was about the year of 1780 or 1781

Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of October 1832

S/ L. Teel

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$25 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service in the Virginia militia, 3 months as a private and 3 months as a Sergeant.]