

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Wood S6445

VA

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 29 Aug 2015.

State of Virginia } SS

Norfolk County }

On this 23rd day of November in the year 1832 Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace for the said County James Wood aged Ninty 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 that he enlisted in the army of the United states in the year 1777 under Capt George Ervin Commanded by Col [George] Mathews he was discharged in the year 1783 some time in June that he was wounded in a scrimmage at New Mill Creek in his thigh and in a battle at Lexington [see endnote] he was wounded in the Belley. that he Received five Hundred Lashes from the British because he would not Joine them and they called him a Deserter, he resided in Norfolk County when he enlisted and also he enlisted in said County that he marched from Norfolk County through the state over the blew Ridge [sic: Blue Ridge Mountains] from thence to Philadelphia from thence to New York from the North he marched to Virginia and was at York Town in the Seige [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and when the sessation of armes Toock place

He hereby relinquishes every Claim to a Pension or an annuity whatever, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any State whatever

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid James hisXmark Wood

Norfolk 29th Decem'r. 1832

J. L. Edwards Esq [Commissioner of Pensions]

Dear Sir/ Inclosed the best Proof that can be got for Pension for James Wood. he has drawn his Land from Virginia & a Certificate to that effect is in the hands of Mr. Philo Hale of Washington. I hope the Claim will meet with your favourable desition Wood is a good Old Man Penny less your early reply will be thankfully Recd by
Hatcher

your Ob't Serv't/ Charles

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I Certify that I am now in my Nintyeth year of age and that I enlisted under Capt'n. George Ervin of the seventh Virginia Regiment of the Continental Line in the revolutionary war for during the war and I served untill the end of the same, and I was Honourably discharge, also I received five Hundred Lashes on my bare back from the British because I would not join them and I received two wounds one at the Battle of great Bridge [9 Dec 1775] and the other at Lexington and I am now in great need of help from my Cuntry and pray them for the same as I have served them faithfully As Witness my hand and seal this the 22nd day of May 1832

James Wood hisXmark

I Certify that I am now in my seventy fourth of age and that I was well acquainted with James Wood who did enlist under Capt'n. George Ervin of the seventh Virginia Regiment of the Continnential line in the revolutionary war for and dureing the war and that he served untill the end of the sam war and he was Honourably discharged As Witness my hand and seal this the 26th of May 1832

[William Cannon, in Princess Anne County VA]



NOTE: There was no battle at Lexington VA, and it is unlikely Wood was at the Battle of Lexington MA on 19 Apr 1775.