

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Bailey S6578

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State of Virginia County of Halifax

On this 21st day of November 1832, Personally appeared before me John L. Jennings a Justice of the peace for the County aforesaid Thomas Bailey a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged Seventy one 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 June 7th, 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

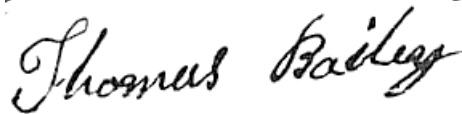
I volunteered in the Militia Service as a private Soldier (to guard the prisoners that was taken of Burgoyne's Army at Saratoga), in the County of Loudoun in State of Virginia in the month of January 1778 under Jacob Reed (Capt.) I was marched (guarding the prisoners) from Loudoun Court house to Fauquier Court house, where I was discharged by Capt. Reed after serving a tour of three weeks. The next time I was called out into service, I volunteered in the County of Loudoun Virginia as a private soldier, in the month of August 1780 under Daniel Fagan (Captain) Francis Payton (Colonel) I was marched through the County of Prince William on through Fredericksburg thence to Richmond thence to Petersburg, thence to Cabin Point, thence to the County of Nansemond, where I was stationed a while, at which place I was joined to the Brigade Commanded by General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene], from there I was marched back to Cabin Point from thence to Petersburg, where Greene left our company, our time being nearly out, Greene went on to the South, and left us under command of General Steuben, after which I was discharged by General Steuben after serving a tour of three months, I was discharged in the month of November 1780. The next time I entered the service, I was drafted a private soldier in the militia service in the said County of Loudoun Virginia in the month of August 1781, under Simon Hancock (Captain) George Taylor (Lieutenant) I was marched through the County of Prince William on through Fredericksburg then to Richmond where I was stationed at while, after which I was marched down to York Town, where I was marched to Gloucester side of the River, and placed under command of George Mason (Colonel) and General Weadon [George Weedon], I remained at that place until the surrender of Cornwallace [Cornwallis] after which I was one of the guard that conducted British Prisoners, from York Town on towards Frederick Town in Maryland, and at Nowlands Ferry [Noland's Ferry] on the Potomac River, I was discharged by Lieut. George Taylor after serving a tour of upwards of three months, I have no documentary evidence, nor do I know of any person whose testimony I can procure, who can testify to my service my discharges are all lost or mislaid so that I cannot, at

them, I was born in the County of Fairfax Virginia on the 8th of April 1761, the register of my age was in a boat belonging to my Father an extract of which I now have. I was moved into the County of Loudoun at three years old, where I lived when called into service, I lived there one year after the close of the Revolutionary War when I moved to the County of Halifax where I have lived ever since.

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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Thomas Bailey

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Bailey". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "S/ Thomas Bailey".

[Roma Winston & Benjamin T. Word gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$22.32 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months and 21 days service as a private in the Virginia militia.]