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Pension Application of William Brickey S6751
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State of Virginia } S.S.
Westmoreland County }

On this the 18 day of December 1832 personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace for said county, William Brickey, a resident of said County and State aforesaid, aged seventy six 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

I was born in the County of Westmoreland on the 9th day of January 1756 according to a record made by my father, which I have in my possession at this time. I lived in said County, from my birth untill I entered the service of the United States, and have continued to live in the same untill the present time, except for a few years I lived in the adjoining County of Richmond.
As well as my memory served me, in the year 1776 when I was about 20 years of age, It was thought expedient to raise what was called minute companies, for the purpose of being ready, upon the shortest notice, to prevent the enemy under the command of Lord Dunmore from landing on our shores, and committing depredations among our Citizens. To assist my countrymen in their struggles against their oppressors I enlisted in one of the above named companies under the command of Capt William Tebbs, Lieu. William Middleton, & Ensign William Bearcroft, in which company I served as a fifer, during my term of enlistment. We were first stationed at Sandy Point, where we remained the greater part of the year. From there we were marched to a place called Booths, at the mouth of the Nomony [sic: Nomini] river and from thence to Mathias Self's the place of Head Quarters where we joined the companies of Lancaster & Northumberland under the Command of Colonel Thornton. We remained at the last named place untill the termination of the 12 months for which we enlisted, and were then discharged. After my return home I was again enrolled in the Militia, and served as occasion required to guard the Canoes on the river and creeks untill the year 1781, when I was drafted to be immediately marched to stop Wallace [sic: Cornwallis] in his advance toward York Town. Accordingly, our company was ordered to Leeds Town [Leedstown] on the Rappahannock river, under the command of Colonel Nelson, where we were to wait for further orders. We there understood that the enemy had taken a different rout from that which was contemplated, and consequently we were discharged for a short time.

In the course of 3 weeks after we were discharged at Leeds Town, we were again called out, and marched to York Town, on the Gloucester side of the river, where we joined the army under the command of General [George] Weedon.

After the surrender of Wallace [Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] I received a discharged from Colonel Campbell, which I kept for many years and supposing it of no use have suffered it to be destroyed in some way or other.

I served at York Town two months as assistant Forage Master, which time, with the 12 months I served in the minute company, and the different periods I served as a guard, could not have made my time of service less than fifteen months.

I have no documentary evidence of my services, and deem it unnecessary to make a more minute detail of them, as I purpose having annexed the certificates of Benedict Lamkin, and Moses Self [pension application S19009], who were soldiers of the Revolution, and can testify to the facts set forth in this declaration, the former having served in the Militia, and the latter in the Regular Army.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any state. [signed] William Brickey