

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Tuck S7761

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On this 29th day of November in 1832 Personally appeared before the Court of the County of Halifax now sitting Thomas Tuck a resident of the said County of Halifax in the State of Virginia aged sixty-nine 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 in the month of February 1781, as a volunteer in a company which was commanded by Captain John Thompson we joined General Greene [Nathanael Greene] at Halifax Old Court [house] and marched with them across Dan River at Irvine's ferry entered the State of North Carolina and marched in various directions not being stationed along at any one place, until we arrived at Rocky Creek, when from the excessive marches, we had made I became sick, and was put into a baggage wagon which was sent over Dan River near the Sorry Towns [?], in the said State where I stayed with this, and many other, baggage wagons, until the battle of Guilford was fought [March 15, 1781] after which the said wagons follow known to Troublesome Iron works, near Haw River in the State of North Carolina at which place I was still unable to perform Military service and was discharged. I do not know by whom I was discharged or whether I received a written discharge or [word too faint to discern] have none to be found and do not know a person living that was in Service with me at that time. This time of service rendered on this tour was six weeks, about the first of May 1781 I again entered the Service of the United States as a Substitute for Thomas Pass and marched from the County of Halifax in the State of Virginia in a company of Drafted Militia, which was commanded by Captain Parham Booker to Prince Edward Courthouse where we joined the troops under Major Purnell and General Lawson and marched with the said troops through the County of Cumberland to the Point of Fork on James River, where the public Stores were then encamped, at that place I was transferred to Captain William Clark's Company and marched with him to Dandridge's Old Fields, from thence down to Morben Hill [Malvern Hills] about 18 miles below Richmond where we were stationed for some time, then marched down under the command of Baron Steuben, General Stephens [Edward Stevens], and General Lawson and others to James Town a battle was fought near that place after which we went back to the said Morbin Hills where we remained until I term of service expired. I was discharged by Captain Clark in the month of August 1781, the time of service rendered on this tour including the time of traveling home was three months and 15 days my discharge is lost and cannot be found. I do not know of any person living that was in the service with me at that time. Soon after I reached home from the above Service a draft was made on the County of Halifax where I lived for the Militia to march to Little York. I was drafted to serve a tour at that place, but was detailed with several others to procure food, and drive cattle for the use of the Army. I was employed in this

way for two months and discharged my discharge is lost and cannot be found. I do not know any person living that was in service with me at that business. I was born in the County of Caroline I suppose in the year 1763. I have no record of my age. I came to the County of Halifax when I was a child. I lived in the same County of Halifax when I entered the United States service in the Revolutionary War. I lived in that County when the war ended and have lived in County ever since. I entered the service first as a volunteer. I entered the service second as a substitute for Thomas Pass and that third time I entered the service was drafted. The Officers that I was with, and the circumstances of my service are stated in my declaration. I do not recollect the Regiment that I served with. I was discharged from the Army in North Carolina sick. I do not recollect who discharge me. I was discharged by Captain Clark at Morben Hill that discharge is lost. William Tuck and John Arrington can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution. 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.

S/ Thos. Tuck, X his mark

[William Tuck and John Arrington gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.33 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for service as a private for six months and 12 days in the Virginia militia.]