

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

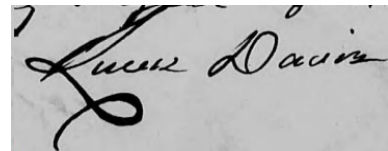
Pension Application of Lewis Davis S8280

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State of Virginia }  
Franklin County } Sct.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the County Court of Franklin aforesaid now sitting (being a court of record) Lewis Davis a resident in the County aforesaid and state of Virginia aged 76 or 77 years, who being first 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 7 1832 That he was born in the County of Stafford in the state of Virginia and now lives in Franklin County Virginia [formed in 1786 from Henry and Bedford counties]. That he entered the service of the United States in the militia thereof at Washington Iron works near Franklin Courthouse [now Rocky Mount] as a volunteer or recruit That he marched under Capt James Lyon and Lieutenant Edward Choat and joined the army under the Command of Colo Christy [William Christian] at the place called the Long Islands of Holston [at present Kingsport TN] about the year [blank; 1777] he was then marched to the Cherokee towns, and again back to the Long Islands of Holston, where he was discharged after having served upwards of six months from the time he volunteered or recruited The next tour he was drafted in the service of the United States under the command of Capt George Hairston, and marched from the County of Franklin (at that time Henry) and paraded at Henry old courthouse to Guilford in the state of North Carolina and joined the army under the command of General Green [sic: Nathanael Greene, probably in Feb 1781] and attached to Lawsons [Robert Lawson's] Brigade and remained in service during the three months tour when he received his discharge at Cape fear river. This last tour was against the British. the third tour again entered the service in Franklin County (then Henry) under the command of Capt [Swinfield] Hill, by draft and joined the army at little york in the State of Virginia under the command of General Washington, and he believes he was under the immediate command of Major George Waller and that he served during the three months tour when the British forces surrendered [19 Oct 1781] and he was discharged. he has lost or mislaid all his discharges at Yorktown he thinks Colo Richardson [sic: Holt Richeson] gave him his discharge, and he has no documentary evidence refers to the court of the county for his character being known to most of them that James Standifer and William Swinson were officers apprenticed to furnish the army with flour and beef and that he served with the said Standifer & Swinson about three months transporting the said provisions from Franklin County (then Henry) to Potomack [sic: Potomac] near red stone in this state, that when he entered into this last tour he was drafted for a regular tour of three months duty, and accordingly was discharged when he arrived at red stone or near there on the Potomack. 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 or the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "Lewis Davis". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

NOTE: A Treasury-Department document states that the executor of Lewis Davis's estate received the final pension payment up to the date of his death, 18 July 1841.