

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Dickinson S8332

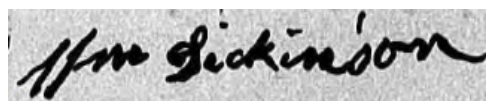
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State of Virginia Louisa County to wit

On the 14th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of the County of Louisa in open Court William Dickinson of Saint Martins parish in the County of Louisa and State of Virginia aged seventy 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 the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the latter part of the year 1778 or the first of the year 1779 under Ensign Samuel Overton Pettus of Captain Robert Barrets company and served in the Regiment of Guards which guarded General Burgoins Captured Army at Albermarle Barracks [Burgoyne's army captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777, brought to Albemarle Barracks in Jan 1779, removed to Winchester Barracks beginning Feb 1781] commanded by Colos. Francis Taylor & William Fountain Major John Roberts Captain Robert Barret [sic: Robert Barrett] Lietenant Anderson Thompson Ensign Samuel O Pettus and John Winston. Cols [James] Wood & [Theodorick] Bland commanded this Regement for a short time at different times and there were other officers belonging to the regement which are recollected viz Cpts Timberlake Burnley Burton Porter Rice & Capt Purvis [Benjamin Timberlake, Garland Burnley, James Burton, Thomas Porter, George Rice or Holman Rice, and James Purvis]. That he entered the sevice either in Jany or February 1779 and served til about April or May 1781 when he was discharged at Winchester in Virginia he received a written discharge but does not know what has become of it. that he resided in the County of Louisa when he enlisted and that the enlistment took place in the said county of Louisa That he has since the War resided in the county of Louisa except about 7 years during which he resided in the Western Country and during that time he was in a campaign against the Indians and was at the Battle of Shawneytown [sic: Battle of Shawnee Town] and that he now resides in the said County of Louisa. That in addition to being at the Battle of Shawneytown he was at the seige of York [Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] where he served two months. That after he inlisted under Ensign Pettus and went to Albermarle Barracks he was made a corporal. That he remained at the said Barracks as long as the prisoners remained there. When the prisoners were removed he went with the second division, crossed at Rockfish Gap & marched through Augusta & Rockingham to Winchester in Frederick County there he left the prisoners and returned back through Fauquire Culpepper [sic: Fauquier, Culpeper] & Orange to the said Barracks in Albermarle where he for some time remained and then was marched over Rockfish Gap through Augusta to Gilberts mountain in Rockingham County where he remained a few weeks & from thence was marched back to the aforesaid Barracks where he remained a short time & then took all the prisoners that remained at the Barracks through Orange Culpepper and Fauquire to Winchester and from there he was marched to the Warm Springs in Berkley where he remained several weeks. From thence he was marched down to Shepherdstown on the Potomac river where he remained a short time & was marched back to Winchester where he remained a while & was discharged as before stated. He further declares that he was born 12th May 1762 in the County of Caroline that he has a register of his age in a large Bible which is at his residence in the said County of Louisa.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity 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

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wm Dickinson". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and somewhat slanted to the right.