Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Jacob Flournoy S8492 VA
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State of Virginia and County of Chesterfield to wit

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the county court of Chesterfield Jacob Flournoy a resident of Virginia in the county of Chesterfield and state of Virginia aged seventy two years in October next, 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 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the state troops of the state of Virginia on the nineteenth day of August 1777 with Lieutenant Thomas Clay and served in the second state regiment of artillery commanded by Col Thomas Marshall. The field officers were Col Marshall Major Decluman [sic: Charles de Klauman] and Maj Mazaret [sic: John Mazarett] – and the company officers of the company to which he was attached was Capt Henry Quarles of King William County, in the state, and Lieutenant Thomas Clay. Whether there was a second Lieutenant or Ensign he does not now recollect, but believes there was, and does not at this distant day recollect their names. The deponent here states Elias Edmunds was the first captain in the regmt when he joined it, and that William Spiller Christopher Roane, Peter Wright and he thinks Richard Booker were also officers in the Regiment. He also deposes that he was discharged in the city of Richmond the 22nd day of August 1780 and that his captain at the time of his discharge was Arthur Spiller. Capt Thomas Marshall, a brother of the present chief justice was with us & he believes pay master. He enlisted for but one term of three years and served it faithfully out. He was a resident of the county of Chesterfield at the time of his enlistment and has resided in it ever since. He never was in any engagement. When first enlisted he was marched by Lieutenant Thomas Clay to Williamsburg, and York and Hampton. While lying at York the British took Portsmouth [May 1779] and some of us were marched to Smithfield, where we lay some time. In the spring of the year 1780 we were marched from Williamsburg through Petersburg and crossed over the Roanoke at Taylors ferry into North Carolina and went to Hillsborough and to Guildford [sic: Guilford], though Salisbury and within about forty miles of the hanging rock [sic: Hanging Rock in present Lancaster County SC], when we heard of Beaufords defeat [sic: defeat of Abraham Buford at Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780] and returned to Hillsborough, and there joined a body of infantry commanded by whom the deponent has forgotten. We then all marched about forty miles to the south to some iron works with the field pieces for fear of Gate's defeat [Battle of Camden SC where Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780], and afterwards returned to Hillsborough with the cannons where we left them. We whose times of service was out in August were then marched on home and discharged in Richmond.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

[The following is from bounty-warrant records on the Library of Virginia.]

I do Certify that Jacob Flournoy serv'd three years in Colo Thomas Marshalls Regiment of Artillery as a soldier

Christopher Roane Cap Art'y 26th May 1783