

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Alexander Logan S8845

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Virginia

On this 22nd day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Ambrose Rucker Wm Dillard, Hy L. Davies and Z Tinsley the Court of said County of Amherst now sitting Alexander Logan of said County aged seventy one years next October, 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 the 7th June 1832.

That he entered the service in the Revolutionary War as a drafted militiaman and served four tours of two months each, making in all eight months service, as nearly as he can now remember, as following viz. At the age of sixteen years (and as he understood from his father before he had entered his sixteenth year) he was drafted and called into service in the County of Fluvanna Va his then residence and was marched about the year 1780 or 81 [see note below] to the Barracks in Albemarle County in this State under Capt Anthony Haden, and was then in the command of one Col [Francis] Taylor, and was there engaged in guarding the Prisoners. he cant undertake to state positively whether he served on that occasion one or two months. he thinks two, but prefers claiming for one month only. Shortly thereafter the next year he verily believes he was again drafted and called into service from the same County under the command Capt. Sam'l. Richardson marched from Fluvanna County aforesaid to and was stationed at the half way house between York & Hampton. he does not remember the name of the field Officers commanding. his recollection is so impaired that he cannot at this lapse of time remember the names of this Lieutenant or Ensign. he served out two months at that place and was discharged. That not long thereafter and he thinks in 1781 he was again called out from said County under the command of Capt Richardson was stationed at Williamsburg in said State and Hanover Town under the command of Col [blank] in which service he remained two months and was discharged and returned to his family in Fluvanna County. That about the year 1782 [sic] he was again called into service under Capt Richard Napper [sic: Richard Napier] and marched to the seige of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and was stationed on the Gloucester shore opposite the town of York under the command as he believes of one Colo. Taylor, that he continued in that station watching and preventing the enemy from escaping from York Town, then blockaded by the French fleet lying in the York River, and invested on the other side by the main army. he remained there in service until the expiration of his term of two months, was then discharged and returned to his family in the County of Fluvanna aforesaid Shortly before the surrender of Cornwallis army - making a total term of service of not less that seven, and he believes eight months independent of the time of going into and returning from service. He received a certificate of pay at one time which produced two dollars and fifty cents, which is all the pay he ever received for his said services. He further states from age and infirmity his recollection has been much impaired and he cannot give so detailed and circumstantial an account of his services as could be desired. he knows however he performed his services above stated. he was never in any engagement but discharged his duty faithfully, and to the satisfaction of his Officers. He never rec'd a written discharge, and believes it was not usual in the Militia service. the companies were discharged by their Officers, and he supposes regularly. Robert Grant [pension application W8212] of Amherst was raised in Fluvanna County, and they served the tour to York Town together, in the same company, and he does not know any person by whom he can prove his three first named tours. 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 of any agency in any State. Sworn and subscribed to in open Court the day and year aforesaid
Alexander hisXmark Logan

NOTE: Note the discrepancy in Logan's given age in 1832 and his age and the date when he said he entered service.