

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Poindexter Patterson S8935

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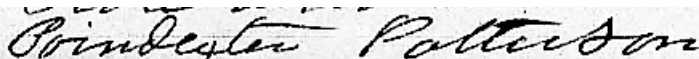
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State of Virginia Campbell County: Sct.

On this 13th day of August 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of Campbell County now sitting, Poindexter Patterson a resident of the County aforesaid, aged sixty-seven years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832 in relation to the Officers and Soldiers of the revolutionary War. He saith that he entered the service of the U. S. in 1781 as a private in the militia of Amherst County Virginia: volunteered under Capt. James Dillard marched to Guilford North Carolina; was there in the Regiment commanded by Col. Holcomb [perhaps John Holcombe], Major Skipweth [probably Henry Skipwith] under General Lawson [Robert Lawson]: was at the battle of Guilford [March 15, 1781], served this tour three months, and returned home. His next service was also in the militia of said County: the same year, in the fall, marching to Williamsburg under Capt. Lovin [perhaps Capt. John Loving], joined the Army at the siege of York, was in the Regiment commanded by Col. Richardson, Major Tucker and again under General Lawson. This tour was also three months. Thus he served, in all, six months during that war. He has lost his discharge, if he ever had any: he has no written evidence whatever; nor does he know of any living witnesses excepting Ro. Cardwell¹ whose affidavit is here with exhibited. 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 the agency of any State whatever.

S/ Poindexter Patterson²



[Samuel Davidson, a clergyman, and William S. Dinguid gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Questions to Poindexter Patterson by the court

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Ans. I was born in Bedford, now Campbell County Virginia in the year 1765.

2nd Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Ans. There is none

3rd Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

¹ [Robert Cardwell S8179](#)

² Because the signature of the veteran looks remarkably like the handwriting in the document itself, I am suspicious that this is not his actual signature but rather is the name of the veteran written out by the scribe.

Ans. When called into the service, I lived in Amherst County Virginia being an apprentice to a Blacksmith in that County: after the revolutionary war was over I returned home to Bedford County: where I have lived ever since and now live, though tis now Campbell County.

4th How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if in substitute, for whom?

Ans. I volunteered the first time, under Capt. James Dillard: and March to North Carolina. The 2nd tour I was drafted , went under Capt. Lovin and marched to the Army at the siege of York.

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops when you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Ans. I recollect Col. Holcomb, Major Skipwith , militia officers under General Lawson at Guilford North Carolina: Regulars General Green [Nathanael Greene] I don't recollect but do not remember any other names. At the siege of York I recollect General Washington, Marquis Lafayette: militia Col. Richardson: Major Tucker, General Lawson: and my Capt. Lovin. The circumstances of my service are fully told in my declaration.

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Ans. I received a discharge from Capt. Lovin: and one from Capt. Dillard: but both of them all lost.

7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Ans. William Dinguid, Ellis Hunter, Col. Robert Franklin, David Robinson and Nollery Ming.

Campbell County Virginia SS

Personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the peace, in and for the County aforesaid, Robert Cardwell, and aged and respectable man, who made oath, that he was in the service of the United States during the revolutionary war along with Poindexter Patterson of said County, who swears that he knows said Patterson & served in that war a tour of three months under Capt. Lovin, as a private in the militia of Amherst County: that he first marched to Williamsburg, and then to Little York, where General Washington and his Army were besieging Corn Wallis [Cornwallis] he was under Col. Richardson, and General Lawson, that after he went to Carolina he knows nothing of his service. I further certify that said Cardwell is well known to me: that he is an old & very respectable man: that his statement is worthy of entire and full credit.

Given under my hand this 15 day of October 1833.

S/ Henry J Brown, JP

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months' service as a private in the Virginia militia.]