

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Micajah Pendleton S8951

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Virginia, Nelson County, to wit:

On the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of Nelson County, now sitting Micajah Pendleton a resident of the said County and State of Virginia, aged seventy five years who being first duty sworn according to the law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1832.--That he was drafted for the Militia service from the County of Buckingham and served a tour of duty under Captain William Duiguid [William Duguid] at three months either in the year 1778 or 1779, he does not distinctly recollect which--that during the whole of that tour he was in service at the Barracks in Albemarle County as a Guard to the British & Hessian prisoners, there detained there--that during that time there was no particular occurrence worthy of note--that service was in the winter Season and he was discharged at or about the first day of March-- that Col.\_\_\_\_ Taylor [Frances Taylor] was in command. That on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 1781 he was again detached in the Militia service under the command of Captain Charles Patterson, from the County of Buckingham and served three months-- he was stationed in about ten miles of Portsmouth near the Burnt Mills. The corps at that station was under the command of Genl. Muhlenberg, he thinks he was attached to the 18<sup>th</sup> Regiment, but does not recollect the names of either of the Field Officers --- during this time he as not engaged in any battle nor does he now recollect any particular occurrences except some occasional cannonading about Portsmouth.-- that in the month of June 1781 he was again detached and served a tour of three months, under the command of Captain Robert Cary -- during this tour he was stationed part of the time at James Town and another part of the time below Williamsburg -- during that time he does not recollect the number of his Regiment -- but he was again under the command of Genl. Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] as well as he recollects, but does not recollect the names of the Field Officers -- during this tour he was in no battle or skirmishes but he well recollects the troops were concentrating upon York Town where Lord Cornwallis had taken his stand.--That the only documentary evidence he has of his services aforesaid are two discharges from his Captain Charles Patterson and Robert Cary, and the affidavits of Giles Davidson<sup>1</sup> and Francis Nixson as to his service in Capt. Duiguid's Company -- which said certificates of discharge and affidavits herewith filed, he wishes to be taken as part of this Declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the resent and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State or Territory whatever.

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<sup>1</sup> [Giles Davidson S6790](#)

He also makes the following answers to the following questions propounded by the Court, viz.

Quest-1st--Where and in what year were you born?

Answer--I was born in the County of Buckingham, State of Virginia in the year 1758.

Quest-2nd--Have you any record of your age and if do where is it?

Answer--I have a record of my age at home, in the family register.

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

Answer--I lived in the County of Buckingham, Virginia at the time I was called upon each tour, after the revolutionary War I moved to that part of the County of Amherst, which is now Nelson County and I now reside in Nelson County, Virginia.

4th--How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute for who?

Answer--I was drafted each time that I went into the service.

5th--State the names of the Regular Officer who were with the troops where you served, such continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer--I can now only recollect Genl. Muhlenberg, who was in command – the Marquis Lafayette arrived about the time of my discharge, and also recollect Genl. Wayne [Anthony Wayne] was about there. I do not know whether Col Taylor, who commanded at the Barracks in Albemarle County, was a Regular Officer or not. I do not recollect the number of any Regiment to which I belonged, except the 18<sup>th</sup>, as I think -- all the general circumstances of my service are stated in the body of my declarations.

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

Answer--I received a discharge from Capt. Patterson, and another from Capt. Cary herewith filed, if I ever received one from Capt. Duiguid it has been lost or mislaid.

7th--State the names of person to whom you are know in you present neighborhood, who can testify as to your charter for veracity, and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution.-----

Answer--I would refer the Court to Spotswood Garland and James Garland who have known me for many years and who can testify as to my character for veracity, and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Micajah Pendleton<sup>2</sup>

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We Spotswood Garland and James Garland residing in the County of Nelson, certify that we are well acquainted with Micajah Pendleton, who has subscribed and sworn to the foregoing declaration, that we believe him to be seventy five years of age as he states. That he is reputed and believed in the neighbourhood where he reside to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in the opinion--and that we have the greatest confidence in him as a man of veracity.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

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<sup>2</sup> I do not believe this is the actual signature of the veteran since the handwriting is identical to the handwriting in the rest of the document.

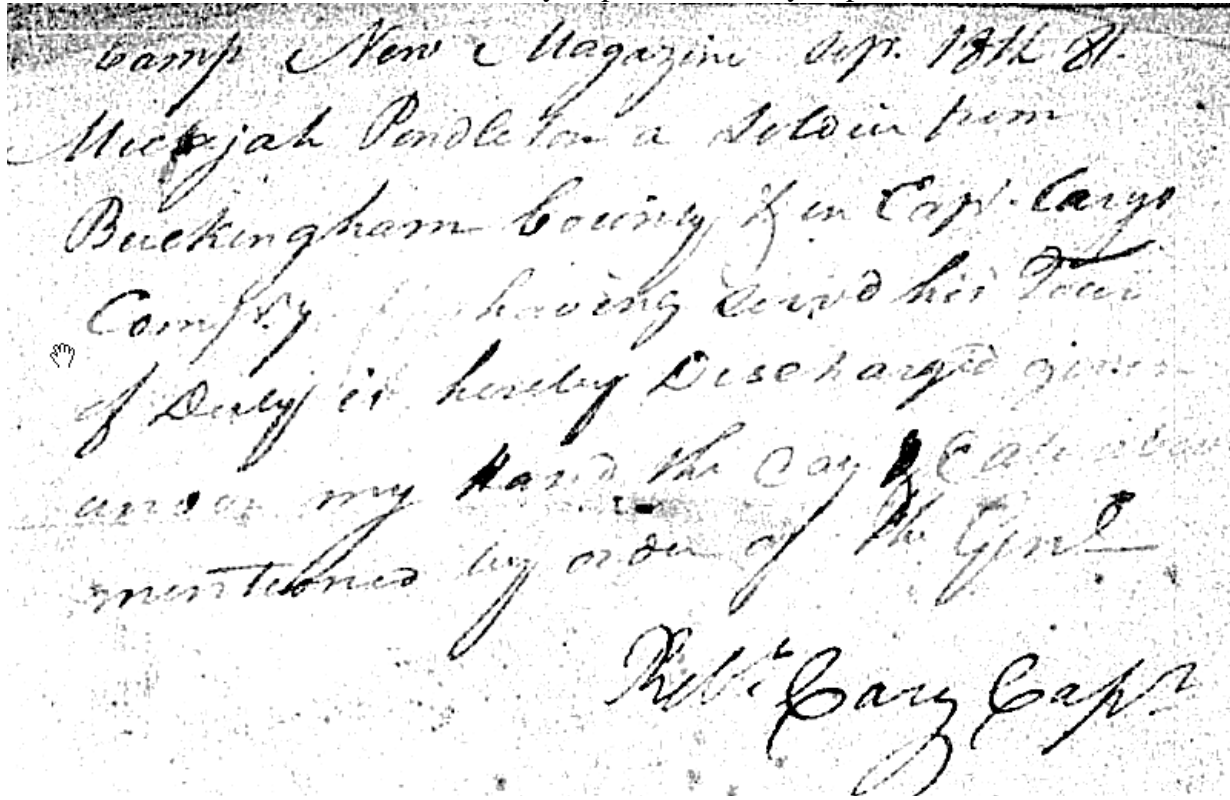
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S/ J. Garland

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Camp New Magazine September 18<sup>th</sup> '81

Micajah Pendleton a Soldier from Buckingham County & in Captain Cary's Company having served his Tour of Duty is hereby discharged given under my hand the day & date above mentioned by order of the General

S/ Robt Cary Capt [Robert Cary Captain]



Camp New Magazine Sep. 18<sup>th</sup> 81.  
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Buckm County [Buckingham County]

I hereby Certify that Micajah Pendleton Marched in my Company Militia, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January last and made a Tour of duty of 3 months, & was Disch'd 9<sup>th</sup> April last.

S/ C. Patteson a Capt. [Charles Patteson]

Militia Buckm

17<sup>th</sup> July 1781

Buck<sup>m</sup> County, I Herby certify that  
Micajah Pendleton Marched in my  
Company Militia, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
Jan<sup>y</sup> last, and made a Tour of duty  
of three months, was Disch<sup>d</sup> April last  
at Stettin a Capt.  
Militia Buck<sup>m</sup>  
17<sup>th</sup> July 1781

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]