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Pension application of Richard Pulliam S8984

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State of North Carolina County of Person: On this 17th day of December personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Person -- now sitting Richard Pulliam a resident of the County aforesaid aged 69 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 act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States for a term of three months under Captain Ellis in the year 1781 as a substitute for Peter Wynne; that he marched from Lunenburg County in the State of Virginia to Prince Edward Court House in said State under the aforesaid Captain Ellis (the under officers not now recollected); from Prince Edward Court House he marched under Captain Ragsdale and Major Overstreet in a northern direction and crossed James River at Carter's Ferry, that he continued in a northern direction until he joined the American forces under General Lafayette, who then retreated in the same direction (being pursued by the enemy) until he crossed the Rapidan River at the Raccoon Ford and joined the forces under General Wayne; that the American forces there upon ceased their retreat and in turn pursued the enemy; crossed the Rapidan at the same Ford, and marched in a southern direction until they reached James River, and then down said River as far as Jamestown from which place he was discharged and returned home –

That he afterwards entered the service a second time for a term of 3 months, as a volunteer under Captain Faulks and Colonel Burwell; that he marched from Mecklenburg County in the State of Virginia in the same year as before mentioned; that he marched through the said State, crossed James River at Hog-Island passed through Williamsburg, thence a Northwestern direction until he crossed the Purmunky [sic, Pamunkey River] and Mataponi [sic, Mattaponi] rivers and thence down to Gloucester, in the County of Gloucester and State of Virginia: that he was then taken from Colonel Burwell's Regiment and attached to the Grenadiers under Captain Mabry who was under the command of Colonel Mercer; that he was stationed at Gloucester until the surrender of Cornwallis, whereupon he was discharged and returned home. That he was born in the year 1763 in the County of Lunenburg aforesaid that he has no record of his age, the same having been destroyed; that when first called into service he resided in Lunenburg County and when called out the second time he resided in Mecklenburg County State of Virginia; that he continued to reside in Mecklenburg County until about 27 years ago when he removed to Person County North Carolina where he has lived ever since; that he received no discharges in writing when his terms of service expired. That he is acquainted with no person in this State of North Carolina by whom he could prove his services. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Subscribed & sworn to in open Court 17th December 1832

Test: S/ Jesse Dickins, Clerk

S/ Richard Pulliam, X his mark

[Lewis Amis, a clergyman, and Byrd Pulliam gave the standard supporting affidavit.]