

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of William Richmond S9088

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State of Virginia } SS
Greenbrier County }

On this 22nd day of Oct 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of Greenbrier it being a court of record William Richmond Sen'r. resident of Fayette County and state of Virginia Aged 80 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 provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. that he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1775 with Lieutenant Woods and served he thinks in the 3rd Virginia Regiment of the [blank] line under the following named officers to wit. Capt Mathew Arbuckle. Lieutenant Andrew Wallace [ic: Andrew Wallace] Col. Nevil [See endnote.] That he entered the service by enlisting under Lieut. Woods in the County of Bottetourt, and State of Virginia for the term of one year in the month of Oct. 1775 and was marched from the County of Bottetourt to the Savannah Fort (now Lewisburg) and was stationed there for some time under Capt Mathew Arbuckle where the company Wintered and in the spring of 1776 he was marched to the fort [Fort Randolph] at Point Pleasant on the Ohio River and was there stationed under the command of Col Nevil and there served out the time of his enlistment. During his enlistment he was in no engagement. And after his time of service was out. He again enlisted for another year under Capt. Arbuckle & Col Nevil and continued in the service at Point Pleasant and stationed as usual at the Fort at that place and continued in s'd. Service until his time of enlistment expired and that he volunteered for one month to go with Capt Andrew Hamilton ag't. the Indians but not getting a sufficient number of men the expedition was abandoned. And after being in the service one month was discharged and that the whole time of service was two years & one month. that during the time he was in s'd service he was in no Battle. that he was discharged from the service of his two years enlistment he thinks in the fall of 1777 and from his one month service as a Volunteer in Nov'r. following. That he received written discharge and keeping the same for a number of years thinking it was of no value he gave the same to a step son to play with and has good reason to believe the same has been lost That he herewith submits the evidence of Capt. Charles Arbuckle son of s'd Capt. Mathew Arbuckle as evidence of his service &c He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declare that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year afforesaid

William hisXmark Richmond

I Charles Arbuckle of the County of Greenbrier and State of Virginia Certify that although I was young I recollect seeing the above named William Richmond as one of the soldiers in the Company of my Father Capt. Matthew Arbuckle in the winter of 1775 and 1776 that I have no personal knowledge of the time said Richmond served in said company, but from circumstances that I have heard related by others as well as the said Richmond, I have no doubt that he did serve as a soldier in the aforesaid company at point pleasant. I also certify that William Richmond the above subscriber is the person I recollect seeing as one of the soldiers of the afores'd Capt. M Arbuckles company, and that I know no other of the same name but the aforesaid Richmond and his family in this part of the country

Witness my hand the 22nd day of October 1832

[signed] Charles Arbuckle

[On 22 July 1833 Charles Arbuckle deposed that he was born 24 Feb 1769 and that Frances Welch was his stepmother.]

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Be it known that on this 22^d. day July 1833 personally appeared before me Henry Erskine a Justice of the peace in and for the county aforesaid Frances Welch of s'd county aged 90 years who being first duly Sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following statement She

states she was the wife of Capt Mathew Arbuckle who served as a Capt during the Revolutionary War and while s'd Arbuckle had a command she well recolects of William Richmond being in the Service of the United States under her husband. That in the fall and winter of 1775 & 1776 she saw him frequently on the farm of her husband with other soldiers before they marched to Point Pleasant which was in the spring of the year 1776 and recolects of his returning through the county of Greenbrier after he was discharged. She does not recolect the precise time but thinks it was in the fall of the year 1777 but she has heard her husband Capt Arbuckle state that Richmond served two years and as well as her own recolection serves her and her husband statements as well as the statement of others she has every reason to believe William Richmond did serve two years
Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me Fr's herXmark Welch
Henry Erskine JP.

[The following report is by District Attorney Washington G. Singleton who investigated many pensioners in present West Virginia. For details see pension application S6111 of David W. Sleeth. Singleton wrote "entitled" on this report.]

William Richmond - Serv'd 2 yrs. has received \$240.

I the undersigned William Richmond in pursuance of the requisition of the Secretary of War give the following statement of my age & Revolutionary Services to Wit. I was born in Pennsylvania in the 1752. - I settled in the county of Botetort in the year 1775 and in same year I enlisted under one Samuel Woods Lieut for two years - We marched to Greenbrier and joined Capt Mathew Arbuckle - & Col. Nevel. our commisaries name was Burr Harris - we were marched to Point Pleasant [page torn] Ohio River where I served out my touer of two years and was discharged - I was kept in service one month after my time was out. I got my discharge from Capt. Arbuckle in Lewisburg after my return - which is long since lost -

John Meller[?] got my Pension - In Witness of all the above I subscribe my name Jany 22,
1835 Wm hisXmark Richmond
Witness Wm R Woods. A copy W. G Singleton

NOTE: Capt. Matthew Arbuckle commanded a company raised in Botetourt County in Nov 1776 in the 12th Virginia Regiment of Foot commanded by Col. James Neville.