

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Walter Chisholme S9169

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Virginia/        Hanover County

On this [blank] day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the court of the county of Hanover now sitting Walter Chisholme a resident of the said county and state aged on hundred 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he was born in the county of Hanover in the same neighbourhood where he now resides as well as he can recollect on the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 1732 having seen a family register many years ago in which it was so stated – but that register is now lost. That when the revolutionary war broke out he was Ensign in Capt Anderson's Company of Hanover Militia. That he was very frequently drafted and never hired a substitute except once [James Hall, pension application S6946]. That owing to his great age his recollection of the events of that period is very obscure and that consequently he cannot recollect the number of tours precisely, or the officers under whom he served. That he remembers serving under Captains Anderson and [Francis] Underwood Colonels Symme [possibly Charles Simms] and [William] Dandridge and Generals Lafayette Muhlenburgs [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] and [Thomas] Nelson – that several times during his service he crossed James River at the Manacin town [sic: Manakin] and marched into the lower country of virginia into the neighbourhood of Williamsburg and York and that he was in the retreat under Lafayette through Henrico Hanover Sopsylvania [sic: Spotsylvania] Orange Culpeper and Louisa Counties and was at the cutting of the road called the Marquiss Road [sic: Marquis Road, 12-14 Jun 1781] through Louisa & Albamarle counties. He recollects being in no battle. That to the best of his recollection he served at least six tours and that he was always an Ensign and his service continued at least eight months. That he had a commission but does not recollect by whome it was signed or what has become of it and has no documentary evidence – that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to any part of his services and that he cannot procure a clergyman to made the usual certificate. And that he would refer for his character and reputation to Charles Thompson Jun'r. and James Underwood Esquires.

he hereby relinquishes all 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 or Territory –

He replies to Question 1<sup>st</sup> I cannot distinctly recollect [the place and year of his birth]

To Question 2<sup>d</sup> I have none [record of his age]

To Question 3<sup>d</sup> I have always lived in the same neighbourhood

To Question 4<sup>th</sup> I was drafted.

To Question 5<sup>th</sup> This question was answered satisfactorily.

To Question 6<sup>th</sup> I received a comission but do not remember by whom signed and have lost it.

To Question 7<sup>th</sup> Charles Thompson Jr and James Underwood Esqr

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid – Walter hisXmark Chisholme