

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Richard Dobson S9386 VA
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State of Virginia/ New Kent county to wit

On the 12th day of Dec'r 1833 personally appeared in open court before Wm H. Macon Wm. Chase Cokayne Jno S Lacy Philamon C. Jones Wm Slater the Court of New Kent County now sitting Richard Dobson a resident of the county aforesaid and state of Virginia aged 70 years on the 10th day of march 1833 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That he entered the Service on the twenty fifth of March 1781 under Captain Hockaday as a private and served two months under the said officer at Williamsburg, immediately after serving the two months under Captain Hockaday, he served under Captain [Lydall] Bacon two months at the Forge in Newkent County [possibly Holt's Forge in New Kent County on Chickahominy River] and at Malvern Hill in the County of Henrico That he served under Captain Jarrell two months at different places and that he was under his Command at the seige of Yorktown Virginia [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] that he entered the service of Captain Jarrell immediately after the close of the term of two months served under Captain Bacon. That the three Captains Hockaday Bacon and Jarrell belonged to Stevens [Gen. Edward Stevens] brigade That he was at the capture Cornwallis and was one of the guard who guarded the prisoners on their way to Winchester as far and Hanover town that he has no documentary evidence of his services never having received a written discharge but he was verbally discharged by Captain Jarrell at Hanover town That he knows of no person living in the country except Thomas Clopton [pension application S9318]who knows the fact of his having served in the army

To the first Interogatory he answers that he was born in the year 1763 March 10th in the County of New Kent Va

2nd Interogatory He has no record of his age but recollects well to have his mother say at what time he was born, which was stated.

3rd Interogatory That he lived in the County of New Kent State of Virginia when called into service; that he has lived in the County of New Kent ever since the Revolutionary war with the exception of two years during which time he reside in the County of Hanover

4th Interogatory He says he was drafted.

5th Interogatory He recollects the names of General Stevens Major Welch [sic: Nathaniel Welsh] Col Scott commanding at the seige of York, and general Washington. My declaration states the circumstances of services.

6th Interogatory He says he received no other than a verbal discharge, given by Captain Jarrett at Hanover town

7th Interogatory He says he is known by Col. Wm. E. Clopton John B Clopton Thomas Clopton. Francis Marshall Beverley Crump and many others of my county Wm H. Macon a member of the court who will certify as to his character and his belief of his services.

He relinquishes hereby every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension list of any state. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

