

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Samuel Perkins W1992

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State of Kentucky } S.S.

Madison County }

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court before William Goodloe, James Dyanis[?] & George Alcorn Justices of the County Court in and for the County aforesaid now sitting, Samuel Perkins a resident of said County aged 70 or 71 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, That he entered the service and served a tour of six months in the militia from Louisa County Virginia under Capt [Richard] Phillips, Generals Wayne [Anthony Wayne, who was active in VA after 10 Jun 1781] & Demarcus [sic: the Marquis de Lafayette] commanding. That he served part of this tour in the infantry, General Mulenberg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] commanding, That he is illiterate and does not recollect dates, That he was marched from Louisa County to Old Richmond, Williamsburg, Spotsylvania, Loudon [sic: Loudoun], Culpepper [sic: Culpeper], Bolingreen [sic: Bowling Green in Charlotte County] and to divers other places in pursuit of the enemy, that they frequently came in hearing of them, but never came to an engagement, That the Militia was laid off into divisions and after the expiration of his first six months service as aforesaid, he was again called into service and served a tour of four months under a Capt White, the same General officers commanding, That he was as before stated marched again from place to place in the State of Virginia in pursuit of the enemy, and did not remain stationed at any one place during either of said tour's more than from one to three weeks, that he recollects being stationed once at New Kent Court House for three weeks. That he served one other tour of either four or six months, he does not recollect which, in the same manner before stated, under a Capt Johnson, the same general officers commanding — That he has no documentary evidence of his services, nor does he know of any person at this time by whom he can prove the same except his brother Anthony Perkins [pension application S11234] who is four years older than himself and served with him all three tours. — He hereby relinquishes every 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.

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NOTES:

John Hunter deposed that he had been a neighbor to Anthony Perkins and knew that he served in 1777 or 1778.

On 9 Mar 1853 Susannah Perkins assigned power of attorney to obtain a pension as the widow of Samuel Perkins. She stated that she was 82, and that her husband had died on 27 Sep 1839 at the age of about 88. She also stated that as Susannah Pass, 17, she was married to Perkins about 1788 in Goochland County VA by a Methodist minister named John Pope, and that she had seven children living. The file includes a copy of the Louisa County court record stating that the marriage was performed on 20 Jun 1798 by Rev. Richard Pope. In an application for bounty land dated 8 Sep 1855 her age is given as 83.