

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Bartholomew Taylor<sup>1</sup> W3473

Frances Taylor f78VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Virginia, Caroline County to wit

On this 13th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Caroline County the Bartholomew Taylor a resident of the United States, in the County of Caroline & State of Virginia aged seventy 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 provision may by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 –

That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 to the best of his recollection, with adjutant Millbanks, and served in the Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colonel Charles Porterfield of the State line under the following named officers, viz., Captain Drew, Lieutenant Davenport, Ensign not recollected – Colonel Porterfield commanded the Regiment, but he cannot recollect the other staff officers – After remaining in the infantry a few months, I exchanged places with a man in the troop of horse commanded by Captain Armstead [probably William Armistead] which belonged to the Regiment commanded by Major John Nelson. In the cavalry I was in the company of Captain Armstead, in which John Spencer was Lieutenant, Dudley Diggs 2nd Lieutenant, Nathaniel Savage, Cornet – The said Taylor states that he enlisted to serve during the war and on his enlistment was promised a bounty in lands. He served according to his enlistment to the close of the war and on his discharge at Hampton in Virginia, he went to Richmond and drew a warrant for two hundred acres of land promised him on his enlistment, in confirmation of which he refers to the certificate of the register of the land office at Richmond, which he herewith files.

Said Taylor states that he resided at the time of his enlistment in the County of Caroline & State of Virginia, that he was hired by Colonel Lyne to drive a wagon to Williamsburg, & whilst there enlisted as before stated. He did not go further north, whilst in service than Winchester in Virginia, but went South as far as Camden in South Carolina. He says he was in the battles at Guilford court house [March 15, 1781], and at Petersburg [April 25, 1781] and at the Siege of York [September-October 1781]. After that siege he was sent with the troops to guard the prisoners up to Winchester, where he was kept several months, thence he started to go to the South, but went by the orders of the Governor to Portsmouth & Norfolk where he remained some time, & was thence marched to Hampton where he continued till the war ended, and we were discharged.

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt24908-160-50

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

S/ Bartholomew Taylor, X his mark

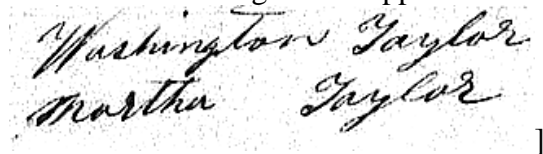
[p 13: On August 17, 1843 in Caroline County Virginia, Frances Taylor, aged about 73, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Bartholomew Taylor a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$100 per annum for his service in the revolution; that she married him in the spring of 1791; that they were married by Parson Noel; that her husband died in January 1842: that she remains his widow and that she has no family record but that "one of her children could have been fifty years old just before her husband's death.". She signed her application with her mark.]

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I Elizabeth Taylor of the County of Caroline and State of Virginia aged about one hundred do hereby certify that Frances Taylor widow of Bartholomew Taylor is my daughter by my first husband, and that she was legally married to the said Taylor to the best of my belief, upwards of fifty years ago, I have no family register and have to speak from memory, but my said daughter Frances Taylor is upwards of seventy years old and she was not twenty when she was married: I also testify that the said Bartholomew Taylor was a brother of my second husband, Samuel Taylor,<sup>2</sup> and I have frequently heard him say that his brother Bartholomew was in the service as well as himself, but that Bartholomew Taylor was in the light horse. Given under my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 1843

S/ Elizabeth Taylor, X her mark

[p 16: in an affidavit dated April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1855 given in Caroline County Virginia, the widow stated that her husband served under a Captain Howard in a Regiment of Virginia militia. This testimony was supported by testimony of Washington Taylor and Martha Taylor also of Caroline County Virginia in which they state that the affidavit of the widow was signed in their presence and that she is the person she represents herself to be. Their relationship, if any, to the widow is not stated. There signatures appear as follows:



Washington Taylor  
Martha Taylor ]

[pp 23-24: in her application for her bounty land entitlement dated July 11, 1855, the widow states that her maiden name was Frances Loving; that she was married to Bartholomew Taylor in King & Queen County in 1798 by Theodorick Noel a Baptist Minister, that her husband died at his residence in Caroline County January 10, 1841.]

[Facts in file: the widow was still living after the Civil War and applied for the restitution of her pension benefits which were restored at the rate of \$200 per annum commencing September 30th, 1865]

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<sup>2</sup> [Samuel Taylor W6230](#)

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 years service as a private in the Virginia Cavalry. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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Addendum to Bartholomew Taylor W3473

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[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

This is to certify that Bartholemew Taylor enlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia June 1 1779 to serve during the war & has served untill this present time & is discharg'd by Order of the Govenour & council. Given under my Hand at Hampton this sixth day of April 1783

W armistead Capt [William Armistead R12155]

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Armistead". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

To L. W. Tazewell Esq'r Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia

Your Petitioner Bartholomew Taylor represents that he inlisted as a Soldier in the regular service in the Virginia line, on state establishment, during the revolutionary war, sometime previous to the first of April 1781 to serve during the war – that accordingly he continued in service till he was regularly discharged by the Executive on or about the 14<sup>th</sup> of April 1783 as may be seen by reference to the records of the then Council of State. That he left his discharge in the Land office in Richmond. He also states that he only rec'd for his [undeciphered] a land bounty of 200 acres. That he is advised a warrant should have issued according to the act of [undeciphered] 1780 (H. Stat. V. 10 [Henings Statutes at Large Vol 10], pa. 331) for three hundred acres. He therefore asks that a direction be given to the register of the Land Office , to issue a warrant on the additional quantity of one hundred acres

[Caroline County, 18 Sep 1834]

Bartholomew Taylor