

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Charles Ammonette W3492

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State of Virginia, & County of Powhatan to wit:

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November in the year 1832, personally appeared in open Court before [blank] the Court of Powhatan County aforesaid, now sitting, Charles Ammonette, a resident of the same County, aged seventy four 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 according to the old Church register of the Manakin Town Parish, in Powhatan County, which is the only known record of his age, & which is still preserved by a family living near him, he was born on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October, in the year 1758 - That consequently he is now in the 75<sup>th</sup> year of his age — That he is a soldier of the revolution, but that with regard to his services, his recollection is imperfect & very indistinct, his memory having been much impaired by age & bodily infirmity - That he is very sure to have served four Tours. of the first he remembers little, but that he was called from Powhatan under the command of Capt. Thomas Harris & went down to Williamsburg & York Town - that he was gone about 2 months - That next he remembers going out of the County of Chesterfield, & serving during this tour under the command of Capt. Edward Moseley as he believes - That they went first to Petersburg & staid a little above that town some time, then went a little below it, & staid some time, & here had a little skirmish with the enemy, during which several of the enemy were killed - That after this they went to Cabin Point [on James River in Surry County], & then to Honey's[?] Mills near Smithfield where they were discharged - That during this tour Bob Goode of Chesterfield was their Col., & that he was drafted as a militia-man — That after this he again entered the service as a volunteer, & went down as far as Westover on James's river [across from old Richmond], where he & some others were discharged on account of sickness, but directed to return as soon as their health would permit - That this, however, he did not do, but that he was away from home several weeks - That he went from Chesterfield again this time, & that Bob Goode he remembers was Col., but the name of every other officer he has forgotten - That when he last entered the service he went from the County of Powhatan, & was called out under the command of Capt. Thomas Harris, & that at this time he spent, as he believes, about two months in guarding some boats at Judes's ferry [on James River 17 mi above Richmond] - That the whole period of his active service was he fully believes, more than six months, but rather than go too far, he limits it to that - That he was born & raised in the County of Powhatan aforesaid, & has spent the whole of his life therein up to this date, with the exception of four or five years during which he lived in the adjoining County of Chesterfield - That he never received a written discharge

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.

Sworn to, & subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Charles Ammonette  
[Seth Hatcher, pension application S5479, certified that he had served with Ammonette in "the lower part of the State."]

NOTE: On 5 Apr 1853 Phoebe Ammonette, 76, of Chesterfield County applied for a pension stating that she married Charles Ammonette in Chesterfield County on 2 Feb 1798, and he died 14 Feb 1833. Other documents give the date of death as 4 Apr and 14 Apr 1833. The file includes one record of the marriage of Phebe Hall to Charles Amonett by Rev. Benjamin Watkins on 2 Feb 1798, but another record from the same clerk gives the date as 1 Feb 1797. On 19 Apr 1855 Phebe Ammonett, 78, applied for bounty land. On 1 Apr 1866 she applied for restoration of her pension, which had been suspended during the Civil War, during which time she lived in Bellair in Chesterfield County supported by her son, William Thomas Ammonette, a farmer who took no part in the war.