

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Samuel Booker W521

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Washington County }

on this the 28th day of December 1835 personally appeared in open Court before the Worshipfull County Court of Washington County at the Court House in Springfield Samuel Booker a resident of Washington County aged seventy seven 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed the 7th day of June 1832 who stated he was born in the County of Amelia and State of Virginia on the ninth day of August 1758 as appears from a register of births kept by his Father that he lived in Amelia County when called into service and that he continued to reside in Virginia from that time untill March 1815 when he removed to the County of Washington and State of Kentucky where he now resides during the Eight Years War of the American Revolution he was called on to serve four different toures, the first he was drafted as a private in 1777 in the County of Amelia and served two months under Captain William Cross Craddock [or William Crass Craddock] the day on which he was drafted or the day on which he was discharged he cannot state precisely he marched from Amelia County to Jamestown on James River where he was discharged he has forgotten the name of the regiment to which he was attached or the name of the field officers – his second tour he again served as a drafted private under Captain Craddock for two months this was in 1778 but the day he marched and the day he was discharged he has likewise forgotten he was attached Col'n. [William] Giles Regiment, he marched from Amelia Court House to Petersburg [sic: Petersburg] and from thence to Mimms Ferry on James River where he was discharged

The third Tour he was drafted at Amelia Court House and put under the Command of Captain Craddock at this time he entered the army on the twentieth of June 1780 on the first of July same year he received a commission of Quarter Master from Col'n. Mhulenburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] and was engaged in procuring provisions for the army untill the 21st day of December 1780 when he was discharged his commission he has lost. his fourth Tour he volunteered in the County of Amelia as a Trooper in Captain Edward Walker's Company of Horse this was in the fourth Thursday in July 1781 at this time he served two months he marched from Amelia Court House through Cumberland Goochland & Cullpepper [sic: Culpeper County] to the Rappidán [sic: Rapidán] River near the Raccoon ford. from thence to Richmond from thence to James Town on James River he was attached to Col'n. William Call's Regiment under the command of the Marquis De LaFayette to whom he bore a despatch when his head quarters was at Col'n. Dandridge's. he was engaged in several skirmishes with the British whilst guarding the movements of Lord Cornwallis untill he was driven into Yorktown on York River he never received any written discharge he knows of no one by whom he can prove the whole of his services. a part he can prove by Samuel Overton [pension application S16499] and Jacob Seay [S31352] whose affidavits are under written 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 to the day and year aforesaid [signed] Samuel Booker

Jacob Seay being first sworn in open Court states that he was born in the County of Amelia Virginia his age is seventy seven him and the applicant Samuel Booker lived near neighbours in Virginia during the Revolution that he knows of him being out in the army several times but he was never with him he has heard his declaration read and has no doubt of its truth Sworn to this 28th day of December 1835

[signed] Jacob Seay

Samuel Overton in Open Court made oath that in July 1781 in Amelia County Virginia he volunteered in Captain Thomas Jones's Troop of Cavalry for two months that whilst he lay on the Rappidan River near the raccoon ford the applicant Samuel Booker joined the army under the Command of Captain Edward Walker he saw him frequently and believes that he served two months, that affiant and said Samuel Booker were acquainted from boys that he lived in the County of Amelia and frequently heard of the said Booker's being in the Army, that he has heard his declaration read and has no doubt of the truth of his statement as set forth in his declaration affiant's age is seventy five years Bookers is seventy seven years

Sworn to this 28th of December 1835

[signed] Sam Overton

NOTE: Samuel Booker's declaration was submitted by one W. B. Booker of Springfield. On 13 June 1853 Nancy A. Booker applied for a pension stating that as Nancy A. Nantz she was married to Samuel Booker by a Presbyterian minister named Samuel K. Sneed on or about 2 Mar 1829 in Washington County, and that her husband died there on 22 Dec 1847. The file contains a copy of a bond signed on 2 Mar 1829 by Samuel Booker and John Hughes, Jr. for the marriage of Booker to Nancy A. Nantz. William B. Booker and Paul I. Booker made supporting statements. W. B. Booker and Dr. P. R. Booker stated that they had been present at the marriage.