

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Pritchard (Prichett) W5594

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Virginia Towit            At a Court held for the County of Harrison on the 15 day of June 1818 and 42<sup>nd</sup> year of the Commonwealth present John Davisson, Benjamin Robinson, Elias Stillwell, James Fleming & Daniel Morris gentlemen Justices.

Before the Court aforesaid personally appeared George Pritchard and being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” That he the said George Pritchard enlisted in Culpeper County state of Virginia in the year 1776 in the Company commanded by Captain John Thornton of the 3<sup>d</sup>. Virginia Regiment of Regular soldiers for three years that he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the united states until the 15<sup>th</sup>. of March 1777 when he was Discharged in consequence of disability in Philadelphia that he was in the battles of Trenton [26 Dec 1776] and Queens Island [?] that he served in the regular army for more than twelve months, and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the accompanying Discharge

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George Pritchett being judg'd unfit for the Service by Doctor Shippen, is hereby discharg'd  
T Thornton, Cap'n

Virginia Sct.

At a court held for the County of Harrison on the [blank] day of Nov'r 1820 (being a court of record established by an act of the General assembly of this Commonwealth Personally appeared in open court George Pritchard aged 84 years resident of Harrison County virginia who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows that he enlisted in the year 1776 in the 3<sup>d</sup>. virginia Regt. Capt John Thorntons Company virginia line - Original declaration was made 181 [sic] his pension certificate in No 5976 & he took the following oath viz “I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not by gift sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with Intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818. that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed. I own 96 acres of land my pension heretofore granted enabled me to pay for said land two Horses 7 head of Cattle two of these cows the rest young cattle, 8 Hogs My farming implements & furniture are worth about \$10.

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and the said George also declared as follows. “I have in family ten, myself my wife 60 years of age, my Daughter Polly aged 26, Lydia 21, Fanny 17, George 15, Mary Orphan 15, Betsey 9 Emilia 4, Iranna 3 years of age the last four Grand children Our joint labour will not support us

George hisXmark Pritchard

NOTE: On 30 Aug 1844 Elizabeth “Pritchardt,” 79, applied for a pension stating that she married George Pritchard in Culpeper County in 1780, and he died 18 June 1822. A letter in the file written in behalf of her daughter, Elizabeth Cotrell, states that she died in 1846.