

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Bond W5847

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State of Georgia, County of Franklin

On this tenth day of September in the year 1832 personally appeared before the Inferior Court of the County and State aforesaid now sitting for Ordinary purposes, Richard Bond a resident of Capt. Watson's District in the County and State aforesaid, aged Sixty-nine 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 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the year 1777 in Amherst County Virginia in the Militia of that State, was drafted as a Minute man and marched to Albemarle Barracks and placed under the command of Capt. David Shelton, in the Regiment Commanded by Col. Richardson [probably Holt Richeson], was stationed at the Barracks one month and was discharged by Col. Cavill [probably Samuel Jordan Cabell].

Was again drafted in Amherst aforesaid, in the year 1779 and was appointed orderly Sgt., and was marched under the Command of Capt. Higgenbottom [probably either Capt. Samuel Higginbotham or Capt. Caleb Higginbotham] to the mouth of Gillies Creek below Richmond, was stationed at Gillies Creek 3 months, and was discharged by Capt. Higgenbottom, and

In 1780 in Amherst aforesaid he was again drafted and marched as orderly Sgt. under Capt. Higgenbottom to New Glasgow in the lower part of Amherst County and was stationed there and sometimes out on scouting parties, served the 3 months Tour & was discharged by Capt. Higgenbottom.

And in 1781 in March he entered at Amherst aforesaid as a substitute for his father Nathan Bond was placed under Command of Capt. Franklin & marched to Guilford South Carolina [sic, North Carolina], but did not arrive there till the 3rd day after the battle [the battle of Guilford County Court house occurred on March 15, 1781], Col. Rose [Hugh Rose] was in Command of the Regiment, and Major Gabriel Penn commanded his Battalion, When we arrived at Guilford there was a difficulty among the officers, who should command, and to settle it, General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene] permitted us to choose our own Capt., and we changed to a volunteer Capt. instead of Militia, and he placed himself under the Command of Capt. James Dillard & joined Col. Lynch's Regiment, and was marched across Deep River and towards Cross Creek and learning that the British had taken to their ships & transports, he was marched back & recrossed the Deep River and was discharged for a 3 months Tour by Capt. Dillard.

Afterwards served several small tours as a scout & guarding prisoners &c, but served only the 10 months aforesaid Regularly six months of which he served as orderly Sgt.


Does not know any person whose testimony he could conveniently procure, by whom he could prove all his services except Edward Ware,¹ whose affidavit is herewith enclosed.

In the last Tour he was under General Greene, Col. Washington was also there in Command and he deponent made a part of the Infantry rifleman attached to Washington's Light horse.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any State within his knowledge or belief.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day & year first above written
S/ Thos. King, Clk

S/ Richard Bond



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[John Bramlett, a clergyman, and Gabriel Smith gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Georgia Madison County

Personally appeared Edward Ware before me James Long one of the Justices of the Inferior Court of Madison County, who after being duly Sworn on oath saith that he was well acquainted with Richard Bond who is now applying for a pension under the act of the 7th of June 1832, and that he served a tour of duty with him under Capt. Dillard in General Greene's Army at the battle of Guilford in the year 1781 -- and that he served as a private in said Company. Sworn to & subscribed before me this 2nd day of September 1832

S/ James Long JIC

S/ Edward Ware



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State of Georgia County of Franklin

On this Sixth day of May 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Inferior Court of the County and State aforesaid, now sitting for ordinary purposes, Richard Bond, who has heretofore subscribed and sworn to the original Declaration to which this is annexed, and who being duly sworn according to law on oath makes the following addition and amendment to said Declaration, Viz.:

1. That he was born in July 1763 in Amherst County Virginia
2. He does not know that there is any record of his age in existence.
7. He is acquainted with John Bramlett & Gabriel Smith who reside in his neighborhood & who have certified to their belief of his having been a soldier of the Revolution and is also acquainted with Edward Ware & knew him in the service.

He is Sgt.'s warrant and all his Revolutionary papers are lost.
Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day & year above written.
S/ Thomas King, Clerk

S/ Richard Bond

¹ [Edward Ware S32049](#)

[p 9: On November 3, 1851 in Cobb County Georgia, Richard Bond, 62 a resident of said County made application for the pension due his mother as the widow of a revolutionary war pensioner; he states that he is the son of Richard Bond who was a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$43.32 per annum me: that his father died in Franklin County Georgia January 1837 leaving the deponent's mother Susanna Bond a widow; that his mother remained a widow until November 6, 1843 when she died; that he has always understood his parents were legally married in Amherst County Virginia in 1783 by publication of banns; that his mother left the following children surviving her, Sarah Crider, Sophia Hendricks born in 1792, Frances Sartin, Lindsey Bond and deponent; that he, deponent, was born December 6, 1788 and married on the 9th day of April 1811 in Franklin County Georgia. He signed his application with his mark.]

[facts in file: veteran died in Franklin County, Ga., in January 1837, survived by his widow, Susannah who remained his widow until her death on November 6, 1843, and five children, namely, Sarah Crider (born February 28, 1784), Richard Bond (born December 6, 1788), Sophia Hendricks (born April 3, 1792), Frances Sartin [?] (born 1794), Lindsey Bond (born February 28, 1801); that Richard Bond married Susannah in 1783 in Amherst County, Virginia; Bible record (which is extremely difficult to make out, seems to indicate that there was at least three other child, none of whom survived their parents, named Pirmele Bond born May 22, 1786, Elizabeth born February 12, 1791, and Erle Bond born March 27, 1798—see pp. 3 &7 for original Bible record.)]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$43.32 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private & Sgt. in the Virginia service for 10 months. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]