

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Arman W8332 Charity Arman VA
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State of Kentucky Pulaski Circuit Court Sct. July Term 1818.

On the motion of Thomas Arman who was a regular soldier in the Continental Establishment in the Revolutionary who produced his affidavit & made Oath to the same in Court for the purpose of being placed on the pension List which said affidavit is true in point of fact, & It is Ordered that the said Affidavit with the courts opinion be copied & certified to the Secretary for the War Department, which said affidavit reads in the words & figures following to wit,

The affidavit of Thomas Arman who being sworn in Open Court states that he Enlisted in the 12th Regiment of the Virginia Troops commanded by Colonel Nathaniel Gist in the Brigade of Gen'l. Charles Scott. he was enlisted in Bottetourt [sic: Botetourt] County Virginia by Capt. Lapsley [Samuel Lapsley W9149]. that he remained in the service upwards of three years, but the Term of the Enlistment was for three years that he was in the Battles of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] & at the Storming of Stoney Point by General Wayne [sic: Stony Point NY under Anthony Wayne, 16 Jul 1779]. that he was at the siege of Charleston & was taken a prisoner there [12 May 1780] the Troops at Charleston were Commanded by Gen'l. [Benjamin] Lincoln. he states that he left his Discharge at Richmond at the time he rec'd. pay for his services. he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of the United States, under the provisions of an act of Congress approved March 18th 1818 Entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War. he further states he is about 66 years old

July 27th 1818.

Thomas Arman

[Punctuation partly corrected.]

State of Kentucky, Pulaski County Court Sct.

On this third day of June 1822, personally appeared in Open Court, being a Court of Record for the said County Established by the Constitution, and laws of Kentucky, and having power to fine & Imprison, and proceeding according to the course of the common law, Thomas Arman, aged between sixty nine & seventy years, resident in Pulaski County aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows. that he was a regular Soldier in the Continental establishment, that he enlisted in the 12th Regiment of the Virginia troops (and as well as he recollects at his enlistment was in the year 1777) commanded by Colo. Nathaniel Gist, in the Brigade of General Charles Scott. he was enlisted in Bottetout County Virginia by Capt Lapsley. that he remained in the service upwards of three years, but the term of his enlistment was for three years only, that he was at the Battles of Monmouth, and at the Storming of Stoney Point by General Wayne, that he was at the seige of Charleston and was taken prisoner there, the Troops at Charleston were commanded by General Lincoln. he states that he left his discharge at Richmond at the time he received pay for his services. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner 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 person engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and 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 and by me subscribed. no land, one Cow & Calf of the value of \$10. some Hoggs of the value of \$12 which is all the property or estate he has. nothing owing to him, and owes some small Debts &c which he states he is unable to pay. he states that he has five children, Nancy, upwards of 30 years of age lives with him, Mary about 28 years of age married, Henry lives to himself, Thomas about 22 years old, and Elizabeth about 20 years old and lives with me. he

further states that his wife is upwards of sixty years of age unable to support herself, and that his occupation, if any he can be said to have is a tiller of the ground.

(signed) Thomas Arman

State of Kentucky, Green County Sct.

Be It Remembered that on the 8th day of August AD 1823 personally appeared before me Adam Campbell a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County aforesaid John Carpenter [S35812], a credible person, and made Oat that he the said Carpenter, in well Acquainted with Thomas Arman, who it appears, made application, to the Circuit Court, holden for Pulaski County (Kentucky) at the July Term of said Court in the year 1818 for the purpose of being placed on the Pension list, the said Thomas Arman, being a Citizin of said County of Pulaski and State aforesaid, and the said John Carplenter futher states on his Oath that the said Thomas Arman was a Regular Soldier in the Continental Establishment, in the revolutionary war. that the said Thomas Arman enlisted in the 12th Regiment of the Virginia Troops Commanded by Col Nathaniel Gist, in the Brigade of Gen'l Charles Scott, that the said Thomas Arman, as also himself John Carpenter, was enlisted by Capt Lapsley in the County of Bottetourt Virginia, for the Term of three years, and that the said Thomas Arman as also himself Carpenter, was at te Battles of Monmouth, and the said John Carpenter, further states on his oath that he believes the said Arman served out the Term aforesaid, for which he was enlisted, and further saith not.

(signed) John hisOmark Carpenter

The Commonwealth of Kentucky Pulaski County Sct.

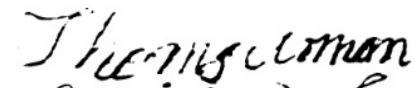
This day James Lee [R6250], aged sixty seven years, resident of the County aforesaid personally appeared in Open Court and after being first duly sworn According to law upon his Oath states, that he is, and has been for sometime past well acquainted with Thomas Arman a Citizen of said County, and an Applicant for a pension under the act of Congress of the United States, and this Affiant who is placed on the pension list himself, states that he was not personally acquainted with the said Arman, in the Service of the United States and Revolutionary war, But states on Oath to the best of his knowledge that he saw said Arman, frequently as a Soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Service of the United States, and this affiant further states, that upon Conversing with the said Thomas Arman, that he this affiant has no doubt that the Statements made and Contained in his Armans Schedule &c and sworn to before the Pulaski County Court, at the June Term of said Court in the year 1822 by said Arman are Substantially true, as he this Affiant was at the Battles of Monmouth, & Stoney Point himself, of which mention is made by the said Thomas Arman in his statements before the Court aforesaid at their June Term 1822 aforesaid; and feels confident, that if the said Arman had not have been in said engagements or actions that he the said Arman, could not give so accurate & minute a Description of said Battles, and the scenes relative thereto, as he does &c, and this Affiant further states on oath, that he believes the said Thomas Arman to be a man of truth, and that he said Arman, is a very poor man, and that Inconsequence of his age and Infirmity the said Arman is unable to support himself. January 5th 1824

(signed) James Lee

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#). One online image is ilelgible.]

Kentucky Fayette County (to wit)

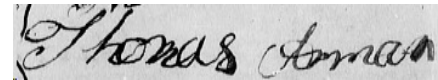
Thomas Armond appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath that he Enlisted in 1777 in the Company [several undeciphered words] Capt Lapsley in the [several undeciphered words] Regiment Commanded [several undeciphered words] for three years & that he continued to serve in said [undeciphered word] until the three years had [undeciphered word] at which time he was honorably [undeciphered word] by Capt Breckenridge [Alexander Breckinridge BLWt287-300] in [several undeciphered words] the year 1780 and that he has lost his discharge



Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 3^d day of September 1821. Also at the same time and place David Baker appeared and made Oath that he was well acquainted with the above named Thomas Armond in the Revolutionary War and well knows that said Armond Enlisted and served for the term of Three years in the Virginia Continental line, as stated in his Affidavit above [signed] David Baker

NOTES:

On 19 May 1827 Arman applied to transfer his pension to Missouri, having moved to St. Francis County for the following reason: "two of his children reside in said State and that he being old and infirm wished to be with them, that they might aid him." The document is signed as shown:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Arman". The ink is dark and the handwriting is somewhat slanted to the right.

On 15 Apr 1839 Charity Arman of Pulaski County, 79, applied for a pension stating that she married Thomas Arman in Rutherford County NC in 1787 or 1788, and he died in St. Francis County in August 1831. After his death she moved back to Pulaski County to live with a daughter and son-in-law, Charles and Mary Ashley. Her application was certified by another son-in-law, William Doggett, husband of Nancy, who had also lived in St. Francis County and returned to Pulaski County. Charity Arman later deposed that Thomas Arman had kept a family record in a Bible, which he had given to his daughter Elizabeth, wife of George Crump, who still lived in Missouri. She stated that Charles Ashley had copied the date of birth of his wife into his own family record, which is transcribed below. She also stated that Nancy Doggett, was more than two years older than Mary Ashley.

On 17 Dec 1849 Charles Ashley as administrator of the estate of Charity Armon stated that she died on 14 Feb 1845 leaving the following children: Nancy Dogget, Mary Ashley, and Henry Armon.

Charles Ashley was bornd January the 23 1789

Mary Ashley was bornd septembe the 13 1793

Callaway Ashley was bornd aprile the 12 1811

Moses Ashley was bornd July the 17 1815

thomas Ashley was bornd may the 24 1818

linsy Ashley was bornd June the 6 1820

andy Ashley was bornd aprile the 8 1823

Susannah Ashley was bornd January the 1 1828

Elizabeth Ashley was bornd Aprile the 2 1829