

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Miles W8455

Patty Miles

f44VA

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State of Virginia Culpeper County: SS

On this 16th day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the justices of the Court of Culpeper County now sitting, Charles Miles a resident in said County and State aged seventy-six 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 7th of June 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he was in the County of Culpeper Virginia on the 8th of March 1756 where he has lived ever since. That he first entered the service in 1775 in the minute service under Captain John Jameson afterwards Colonel and Lieutenant Gabriel Long afterwards Major and Ensign David Jameson now living and will certify. And went first to Williamsburg, thence to James Town thence to Suffolk, thence to the great Bridge, where he was in a Battle[Battle of Great Bridge, December 9, 1775], thence to Norfolk, and was near when that place was burned [January 1, 1776], thence back to Culpeper altogether and were discharged, in this term he was in service six months. It commenced while Dunmore [John Murray, Lord Dunmore, less Royal Governor of Virginia] was burning and committing depredations in lower Virginia.

That sometime after he does not recollect what date he marched under Company officers, and after getting near Chickahominy he was County marched – this past for a tour.

That in the year 1781 he was drafted and marched towards Richmond under Captain Rodgers and Colonel Allcock, that the Head Quarters was Malvern Hills, but he was at different points, and was discharged at Malvern Hills, when General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] arrived with relief. General Stevens [Edward Stevens] Commanded. That he was not again in the service. That he can prove the above service by Colonel David Jameson, Reuben Rossen and Thomas Vaughan.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever 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 or Territory. Sworn to and subscribed this day in open Court

S/ Charles Miles

I David Jameson¹ of the County of Culpeper Virginia hereby certify that I was an Ensign in the Company commanded by Captain John Jameson as stated by Charles Miles in the above Declaration and knew the said Miles as belonging to that Company, that he faithfully performed the service of that tour as he states – And that so far as I ever knew, he is entitled to full credence in what he states.

¹ [David Jameson S5607](#)

S/ David Jameson

We Reuben Rossen² & Thomas Vaughan³ residence of Culpeper County Virginia hereby that we knew Charles Miles who subscribed the above Declaration in the services of which he speaks at Malvern Hills, and knew that he faithfully served that time. We have known him ever since, and consider him entitled to credence in what he states.

S/ Reuben Rossen, X his mark

S/ Thomas Vaughan

And the Court then proceeded to propound the following interrogatories to the applicant, he being under oath, and which she answered as is hereinafter recorded, viz.:

Quest. 1 Where, and in what year were you born?

Ansr. I was born in the County of Culpeper Virginia on the 8th of March 1756.

Quest. Have you any record of your age, if so where is it?

Ansr. The Family Bible in my Father's handwriting.

Quest. Where were you living when you entered the service, where have you lived since, and where do you now live?

Ansr. I was then living in Culpeper and still do.

Quest. How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer, or were you a substitute, and if a substitute for whom?

Ansr. I was in the first tour in the minute service, I suppose I should say enlisted, the other terms drafted.

Quest. State the names of some of the Regular Officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general Circumstances of your service.

Anrs. I recollect General Stevens, Wayne, and others whose names I have mentioned.

Quest Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given, and what has become of it?

Ansr. I never did in writing, we were discharged by companies.

Quest. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood who can testify as to your character for veracity, and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution.

Ansr. I would refer to Mr. Martin Nalle, Mr. John S. Barbour, J. Hansbrough [?]. I prove my minute service by my officer, and the other by my fellow soldiers.

[p 9: On May 26, 1838 in Culpeper County Virginia, Pattie Miles, a resident of Stevens Berg in said County, aged 76, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Charles Miles late of Culpeper County, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was married to him June 17, 1779; that he died January 4, 1838 and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

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State of Virginia Culpeper County SS

On this 17th day of December 1838 before the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the

² [Reubin \[Reuben\] Rosson S6016](#)

³ [Thomas Vaughan S6298](#)

County aforesaid personally came Almond Vaughan⁴ of said County aged 82 years and upwards who being duly sworn according to law deposed and saith that he was in the militia service of the United States in different tours in the year 1781. That during that year the late Charles Miles of this County served a tour of he thinks 2 months – That about 2 years prior to the that but he cannot recollect the exact date the said Miles was married to Patsey Vaughan the sister of the deponent – That during the time Miles was gone in the surf his wife came to her father's and stayed. That at that time she had one child. That his sister the said Mrs. Miles is the widow of the said Charles Miles, who in his lifetime drew a pension for service in the Revolutionary War, and that she now lives in the County of Culpeper and never has married since.
Given under my hand the day and year first above stated.

S/ Fred Fishlack, JP

[Facts in file: veteran married Patty (Patsey) Vaughan, daughter of William Vaughan; the widow was living in Covington Kentucky in 1844 with a daughter not named. In 1844, a daughter Sarah was living in Kentucky.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the Virginia militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

⁴ [Almond Vaughan W6342](#)