

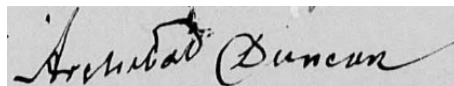
Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Archibald Duncan W8679 Hannah Duncan VA
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State of Kentucky Harrison County Sct.

On this 19th day September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Circuit Court for Harrison County and State aforesaid Archibald Duncan a resident of s'd. County and State aged about 70 years who being first sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That in the fall of the year 1779 he enlisted as a private soldier in the regular service for three years in the army of the United States. that he enlisted in Fauquier County in the State of Virginia under Capt Mark Thomas [pension application R18446] of Col. George Slaughter's Regiment which was under the Command of Gen'l. Clarke [sic: George Rogers Clark]. That he thinks Col. Slaughter's Regiment belonged to the Virginia Line on State establishment but of this he is not certain. That he enlisted as a private soldier but was shortly afterward employed as a Drummer. That in spring 1780 Col. Slaughter's Regiment was stationed at the Falls of the Ohio River [present Louisville] in the then District of Kentucky. That while he was stationed at the falls of the Ohio he was taken with the fever and ague and in consequence thereof he was permitted to go home upon furlough and to remain there until he should be again called upon. That a large portion of the Regiment died and some of them were killed by the Indians at the Falls of the Ohio whereby the Regiment was broken up in consequence of which he was never again called into service, and therefore he never got any regular discharge. That he served faithfully from the time of his enlistment until he got his furlough and from that time he always held himself in readiness to obey the call of his officers until the Term of his Enlistment expired and that he knows of no living witness by whom he can prove his services. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not upon the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Archibald Duncan". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

The Court propounded to s'd. Duncan the following interrogatories Towit.

1st. Where & in what year were you born? 2. Have you any record of your age? 3rd Where were you living when you entered the service; where have you lived since the Revolutionary war, and where do you now live? 4th How were you called into service; were you drafted did you volunteer or were you a substitute. And if a substitute for whom? 5th 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? 6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what became of it? 7th State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution.

To the first question he answered that he was born in the year 1763 in Bute County in North Carolina [formed in 1764 from Granville County]. To the second he answered that he had a record of his age which was copied from a record made by his father. To the 3rd he answered that he lived at a place called German Town in Faquir County Virginia when he entered the service. That since the Revolutionary war he lived a while in Culpepper [sic: Culpeper] County in the State of Virginia & afterward he lived a while in Fauquir in the State of Virginia and from there he removed to Kentucky where he has lived ever since, and he now lives in Harrison County in this State. To the 4th he answered that he enlisted as a private soldier in the Regular service. To the 5th he answered that Joseph Sanders was the Lieutenant of the company to which he belonged & Robert Green was the Ensign. That Wm. Mitchell [William Mitchell] & Dan'l. Greenwood [Daniel Greenwood] were sergeants in s'd. Company. That he recollects

Capt Benjamin Roberts and Ensign Wm. Asher [William Asher] and Lieutenant James Slaughter. To the 6th he answered that he never received any discharge To the 7th he says he is known to Capt John Whitehead and Robt Garner who can testify as to his veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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Personally appeared before me Stephen B. Curran a Justice of the peace for the County & state afores'd. Archable Duncan who being duly sworn deposeth & saith that by reason of Old Age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but that he is positive he enlisted for three years and was in actual service in or about two years before he was taken sick, during all of which time he served as Drummer to the Regiment, he was born the 22nd day of May 1763 and for such service he claims to pension and that he has no doubt but his name can be found on the rools of the continental army or state Troops of Virginia Given under my hand this 9th day of October 1835

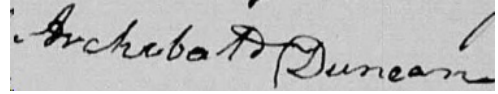
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On this 10th day of Febuary 1836 Personally appeared before me Stephen B. Curran a Justice of the peace for the County & state afores'd. Archable Duncan a resident of s'd. County of Harrison aged near Seventy three years old who being first duly sworn 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 June 7th 1832.

That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated

That in the fall of 1779 in the month of October or November he inlisted in the state Troops of Virginia For three years, under Capt. Mark Thomas, Joseph Sanders was the Lieutenant, & Robert Green was the Ensign – that he continued in the service from the fall 1779 untill the fall of 1781 – that he enlisted at a place called Germantown, in the County of Fauquier, state of Virginia & was soon marched from there to Culpepper Court house, they were there reviewed by Gen'l. Steavins [sic: Edward Stevens] & remained there untill the spring of 1780 and then marched to Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia, where the Regiment was consolidated, & Colo. George Slaughter took the command of the Redgmt, they were marched from Winchester to a place called the New Store on the Monongahela now [Elizabeth] in the state of Pennsylvania, where they encamped & built boats & then desended the Monongahela & Ohio rivers to the Falls of Ohio, to the place now called Lewisville, where we were stationed & built a Fort. – in the fall of 1781 he was taken down with the Ague & Fever, in consequence of which disease his health become impaired, & he was rendered unfit for military duty, & obtained a furlow untill he was fit for duty, & before his Health was restored the time of his inlistment expired & he understood the Troops at the falls of Ohio were disbaned, he therefore did not return to his post – that he resided in Fauquier county state of Virginia when he entered the Service, he was engaged in no battles He was born in Bute County State of North Carolina in the year of 1763 on the 22nd day of May, that he remooved from North Carolina to Fauquier County State of Virginia, where he enlisted, he continued there after the close of the revolutionary War untill 1800 when he remooved to the state of Kentucky & has resided in the counties of Burbourn [sic: Bourbon] & Harrison, where he now resides ever since, that he is unable to attend a court of record for the purpose of making this decleration owing to a deseas called the piles with which he is afflicted & his infeeblid state of Health occasioned thereby – That he positively was in the service from the fall 1779 untill the fall of 1781 during all of which time he discharged the duty of drummer that he did not obtained a discharge owing to not joining the Regment as above set forth, he has no doubt but his name will be found on the rools of the state Troops of Virginia.

He hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a pention or anuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pention Roll of the agency of any state

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Archibald Duncan".

NOTES:

On 3 Feb 1843 Hannah Duncan, 67, applied for a pension stating that she married Archibald Duncan on 22 Aug 1792, and he died 13 Nov 1839. The file includes a copy of a bond signed in Fauquier County on 18 Aug 1792 by Archibald Duncan and Joseph Parker for the marriage of Duncan to Hannah Williams.

The file of Archibald Duncan contains some papers relating to a Joseph Duncan