

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Caldwell Woods: W9033

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On the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before me John Bridges Circuit Judge of the Lincoln Circuit Court in the state of Kentucky Caldwell Woods of the said County of Lincoln & State of Kentucky aged Seventy eight 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 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832 That he entered the service of the Malitia of the State of Virginia under the following officers and served as hereinafter stated That he entered the service of the state of Virginia under the command of Captain Richard Gains on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1778 Major Bins Jones was the Major and Col Charles Fleming was the Col. & General Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] were the commanding officers, he thinks that he was in the fourth Regiment as near as he can recollect of the Virginia Malitia - and that he served a Tour of three months and was discharge on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1778 as near as he can recollect

He states that he entered on a second tour under Capt Gideon Spencer does not recollect the Major. Col. [St. George] Tucker was the Col & General [Robert] Lawson was the general of the Regiment or Brigade. he thinks that he entered on his second tour in the month of July about the middle or latter part of July 1781 and that he entered on both occasions as a draft He states that he was at the Siege of Little York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] when Lord Cornwallis was captured and that he served throughout the whole of the Siege and did not leave the place untill the Capitulation of the British army

That he resided in the County of Charlotte & state of Virginia about seven miles from the Court house that he removed to the state of Kentucky in year 1810 where he has resided ever since the Commanding officers in the Regular army and the continental troops were Generals Washington LaFayette Count De Rochambeau & [Anthony] Wayne & a number of others. he states that he marched from the County of Charlotte in the state of virginia to Petersburg and that they encamped on old Town Creek That his company including himself then marched to Cabin Point [in Surry County] where they marched to Coopers Mills in the County of Isle of Wight where they remained for some time - which was on his first tour of Duty. that on his second Tour he proceed from Charlotte County by nearly the same route to Little York at which he was stationed untill after the Capitulation of the British Army and that he was discharged in the first part of the month of November 1781 as near as he can recollect.

He states that he has no Documentary evidence of his claims of service - but states that he can prove them by Richard Gains & Abraham Sublett of Lincoln County State of Kentucky

He hereby relinquishes all claim to any pension or annuity whatever except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any state

Caldwell Woods

Lincoln County & Circuit sct

We Richard Gains of the County of Lincoln & state of Kentucky & Abraham Sublett of the same County & State Do hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Caldwell Woods who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration and we believe him to be seventy eight years of age. And the Deponent Richard Gains Doth hereby declare that he knows of the said Caldwell Woods having served the first tour of Duty under me of Three months in manner he has stated in the above declaration, as he the said Woods served under him the said Gains who was a Captain And the deponent Abraham Sublett declares that he served with the said Woods in both Tours first under Gains & then under Capt Spencer as stated by Woods in his declaration and that they were discharged at the same time after the siege of York

[signed] Richard Gains

[signed] Abraham Sublett

NOTE: On 19 Jun 1850 Nancy Woods, 80, applied for a pension stating that she married

Caldwell Woods on 27 Oct 1785, and he died 5 Sep 1845. With her application is a copy of the record in the Charlotte County marriage register stating that on "October 24<sup>th</sup> 1785 Caldwell Wood and Nancy Sublett" were married.