

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Stephen Terry Dis__ [X799]

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[Note: There are no papers in this file relating to the claim by the veteran himself. Below is the relevant portion of a letter dated March 19, 1829 responding to a request for information received from a descendent of the veteran:

"Madam:

I advise you that in the report of the Secretary of War in relation to the pension establishment of the United States, printed in 1835, on the list of invalid pensioner's of Louisa County, Virginia, appears the name of Stephen Terry, Private, Third Virginia Regiment, pensioned from January one 1786, under the act of June seven, 1785.

There are no papers on file relative to said pensioner owing to the destruction of papers in such claims for pension when the War Office was burned in 1800 and in 1814...."

The Virginia State Library has a digital image of a certificate in a land warrant file which might relate to this veteran which reads as follows:

I do Certify that Stephen Terry Corporal in Colonel Marshall's Regiment of artillery was enlisted the 24th of February 1778 & was discharged the 24th of February 1781 given under my hand this 25th of March 1783

S/ Yancey Lipscomb Capt Lt.

S. [? State?] Artillery

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