

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Ransom Allphin S36402

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County of Campbell }

On this 7th day of April 1831 Personally appeared before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County of Campbell & of the county court of said County Ransom Alpphin resident in said county of Campbell at the house of Zebulon Allphin) aged eighty one years who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and of the 1st of May 1820 That he the said Ransom Allphin enlisted for the Term of Two years on the [blank] day of December[?] in the year 1776 in the state of Virginia in the company commanded by Capt Thos Walker [Thomas Walker, company raised in Albemarle County] in the regiment commanded by Colonel George Mathews in the line of the state of Virginia on the Continental Establishment that he continued to serve for the term of two years in said corps when he was regularly discharged from said service by Capt Thomas Overton which discharge he has long since lost (he having been transferred to his company) in March 1778 in the state of Pennsylvania at Valey forge. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension except the present That his name is not on the Roll of any state except Virginia. And that the following are the reasons for not makeing earlier application for a pension Towit. That his wife died about thirty years past and that untill a few years past he was able to labor for his support and have been moving about from one new country to another following and living with his different children untill some time past he got an opportunity of coming in a carriage to visit his Brother [Zebulon Allphin] where He has been compelled to remain [one or two illegible words] whose charity alone he has subsisted.

And In pursuance of the act of the 1st of May 1820 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 whatever nor have not had since the 18th of March 1818 and for many years before therefore can give no schedule of any property whatever except a few course wearing clothes. That he from affliction & Bodily Infirmitiy he is not able to attend personally in court (which is called twenty four miles) that by reason of his disease & Bodily Infirmitiy that he is afflicted with a violent cough & has been for a long time past & that his feet and legs are now very much swollen & painful & not able to wear a shoe [one or two illegible words] walk across the floor. Ransom
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[On 24 May 1831 William Merewether (pension application S47954) deposed that Allphin had been a Continental soldier in the Revolutionary War.]