

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Walter Dyer: S4269

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania SS.

On the 29th day of April 1818, Before me the subscriber Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of this Commonwealth, personally appears Walter Dyer aged 66 years or thereabout, Resident in Southwark in the County of Philadelphia, 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 late act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" that he the said Walter Dyer was a Lieutenant in the 4th Company, Capt. Horatio Clagget of the 3rd Reg't. commanded by Colo. Nathaniel Ramsey of the Maryland line from the day of the battle of Camden [16 Aug 1780] fought under the command of Gen'l. [Horatio] Gates That he continued to serve in the said Corps until the Army was disbanded by Congress 1783 at which time he was quartered at Frederick town in the State of Maryland, that he was at the battles of Harlem heights (whilst in the Flying Camp) fought 16th Sep. 1776; and with 6 others of the same Corps (whose time of Service had expired) returned with Gen'l. [Thomas] Mifflin and was in the surprise of Trenton in the same year 26 Dec], at Brandywine 11th Sep. 1777 also at Germantown in Oct'r. [4th] 1777 and in 1779 at the storming of Stoney point [sic: Stony Point NY, 15 Jul 1779] in 1780 at Camden under Gates at Cowpens [17 Jan 1781] with [Gen. Daniel] Morgan and last at Eutaw Springs in 1781 [8 Sep]. He cannot however offer his Commission in proof, having in the year 1789 or thereabout left it in the hands of Captain Calfours[?] formerly of Washington's Guards as a document necessary to obtain for him his proportion of the grant of lands made by Congress to the officers & soldiers of the Revolutionary Army; But he offers the annexed copy of a Resolution of the house of Delegates and Senate of the State of Maryland, granting him a sum equal to the half pay of a Lieutenant as a further remuneration for his services during the American War. And further he declares - That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support, and that he has no other Evidence under his power of his said services.

Sworn and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

[signed] Walter Dyer