Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Taylor\(^1\) S46514

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[f p. 5: Power of attorney dated December 21, 1809, granted by Richard Taylor of Jefferson County [Kentucky] to James Taylor as his true and lawful attorney to procure the allotment of 450 acres of land due Richard Taylor for services as a Lieutenant Colonel in the night Virginia Continental Regiment and the Late War with Great Britain.

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For the purpose of obtaining the Benefits of the Act entitled "An Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution" approved on the 15th May 1828, I Richard Taylor of the County of Jefferson in the State of Kentucky, do hereby declare that I was an officer in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution, and served as such to the time when the rearrangement of the Army provided by the Resolves of Congress of the 3rd & 21st of October 1780 was carried into effect, and that I was reduced under that arrangement at Chesterfield Court House Virginia, and arranged as Supernumerary Lieutenant Colonel to the 9th Regiment, at which period I was a Major in the 13th Regiment of the Virginia Infantry Line on Continental Establishment and I also declare that I afterwards received Certificates (commonly called a commutation Certificates) for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay: which sum was offered by the resolve of Congress of the 22nd of March 1783 instead of half pay for Life, to which I was entitled under the Resolve of the 21st of October 1780 – And I do further declare that I have received no Pension. Witness my hand this 17th day of June in the year 1828.

\(^1\) BLWt494-450
Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
July 22, 1828

Richard Taylor of __ in the County of Jefferson in the State of Kentucky has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that was an officer in the Continental line, and served as such until reduced under the arrangement of the third and 21st of October 1780,, at which period he was a Major in the 13th regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received commutation certificates for the five years full pay granted by the resolve of 22 March, 1783; and, further, that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March 1826, nothing dollars, paid to him by the agent in the State of__

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
28th July 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that final settlement certificates had been issued for the commutation of five years full pay to Richard Taylor, Lieutenant Colonel in the Virginia line, amounting to thirty-six hundred dollars.

It further appears that Richard Taylor is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been since the third of March 1826 at the rate of__ per month.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.