Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Adler Arrington S6505
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

[Punctuation partly corrected.]
State of Virginia  ] SS.
Campbell County  ]

On this 15th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of the County of Campbell Adler Arrington a resident of the County of Campbell and State of Virginia aged 71 years in March last who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 in relation to the Officers and Soldiers of the revolutionary war. Adler Arrington saith he first entered the service of the United States as a private in the militia from the County of Buckingham in the year 1781; rendezvoused at the Court house of that County under Capt. Charles Patterson, Lieut. John Busters[?], Ensign Beckham, and marched from thence to Cabin point on James river, and marched down to Babbs Old field, where he joined Colo. Flemings [Fleming's] regiment of militia, under Genl. Muhlenburg [sic: Peter Muhlenberg]; and from thence we used to frequently march down towards Portsmouth where the British army lay. he served this tour of three months and was then discharged. His next tour in that war was as a private also, in the militia of said County under Capt. John Moseley, first marched to Jamestown and crossed James River, and thence to Little York, where the army under General Washington were besieging the British army under Cornwallis. After the surrender of the British [19 Oct 1781] he march on towards Winchester as one of the guard over the prisoners; but was taken sick at Fredericksburg, and was compelled to return home. This term was two months. He also served a tour in the militia of said County to guard the prisoners at the Barracks in Albemarle County; the men who were in the army of Genl. Burgone [sic: Hessians and British under Gen. John Burgoyne captured at Saratoga, 17 Oct 1777], under Captain Redd, and other officers. This was before the other tour mentioned and lasted three months. He served in all eight months. He has lost his discharge, if he ever had any, and he has no living witness excepting Robert Rogers [pension application S6006] and John Thornhill whose affadavits he herewith files, nor no writing whatev concerning his said services. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity excepting the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state whatever.

Adler Arrington

[Certified by Henry Brown, pension application S8098] and Edmund Herndon.]

Interrogatories by the County Court of Campbell to Adler Arrington to be attached to his declaration.

1 Ques by the Court: Where and in what year were you born.
   Ans'r. – I was born in Buckingham County Va. in the year 1761.

2 Ques by Same: Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it.
   Ans'r I have no record of it; I cant tell whether any of my relatives have it or not.

3 Ques. by same: Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live
   Ans'r: I lived in Buckingham County when called in to service; and lived there till I moved to Campbell where I now live.

4 Ques by same: How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute, And if a substitute for whom.
   Ans'r I first joined, a militia man, in my turn. the next time I went in my turn; the time I served in Albemarle County I was a substitute for a man by the name of Peterson. all my other tours I went in my turn.

Ques by same: State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you
served: such continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your services.

Ans’r I was in Colo. Flemings Regiment; I recollect Genl. Muhlenberg; At Little York I recollect Genl. Washington, the Marquis Layfayette [sic: Lafayette]; countles others – The circumstances of my service I have stated in my declaration.

Ques by same Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it.

Ans’r I [illegible word] I went with the British prisoners from Little York to Winchester; I got a discharge at or near Fredericksburg, but it is lost; I r’d. no other discharge.

Ques by same? State the names of persons by whom you are known in your present neighbourhood and who can testify as to your cararcter for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution

Ans’r: Major Thomas Franklin, Capt. Wm. Thompson, Thomas Williams Wm. Rasom[?] and others.