Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Williams R11614 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Virginia County of Prince George: SS

This 11th day of June in the year of our Lord 1844 Richard Williams personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Prince George County now sitting being a resident of the County of Prince George in the State of Virginia aged 84 years who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That he first went into service of the United [States] to a place on James River known as Fort Powhatan where Major James Cocke commanded and was in service there in all about fourteen weeks.

The next he was called into the service of the United States he went under the command of Richard Williams as Captain. He went down first to the Cross Roads in Surry County and after staying there a few days the detachment was ordered up towards Petersburg we marched up there and I was in a battle there where the detachment I was in retreated across the Appomattox [River] and went to the coal pits and from there crossed James River & went to Richmond where we joined General Lafayette and I marched down James River to the Malvern Hills where I was discharged being in service three months. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State only on the agency of the State of Virginia.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Richard Williams, X his mark

Prince George County, to wit:

This day personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace for the County aforesaid, John Epps Senior a Citizen of said County, a [and] made oath that Richard Williams Senior was, (as well as himself,) a soldier of the revolutionary war, and was, with him, at the battle at Petersburg Virginia. Given under my hand, this is 10th day of [word written over and illegible could be either January abbreviated or June] in the year of our Lord 1844

S/ P. B. Thweatt, JP