## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Tayler (Taylor) [Tyler?] R21894 Transcribed by Will Graves f9VA 11/8/11 rev'd 7/23/13

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## County of Gwinnett State of Georgia

On this fifteenth day of September 1830 personally appeared in open Court (being a Court of Record) for the County aforesaid Thomas Tayler resident in said County aged eighty-five years who being 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 the 1st of May 1820, that the said Thomas enlisted for the term of the war in the month of December in the year 1777 in the State of Virginia in the Company commanded by Captain Leach [Andrew Leitch] in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Philip Lee in the line of the State of Virginia on the Military Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the end of the Revolutionary War when he was discharged from the service at the Red House in the State of Virginia that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the Roll of any State except Virginia and the following all the reasons for not making application earlier for a pension – that this declaration [sic, declarant] was until recently ignorant of his right under said Acts of Congress and also has been able by his labor to procure a subsistence until age and disease disabled him –

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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, that since the 18th of March 1818 no changes have been made in my property.

S/ Thomas Tayler

Thomas Vaylen

Georgia Pike County

Personally appeared before me Andrew Leach and after being duly sworn saith he acted in the Command of Captain in the Revolutionary war with America and Great Britain in the Continental service in the 3rd Regiment in the Virginia Line and that Archibald Henderson<sup>2</sup> did

Andrew Leitch BLWt1251-400

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Archibald Henderson R4866

Enlist under his command at Ninety Six in South Carolina on the 7th day of January 1777 and that he enlisted during the war and served as first Sergeant in his company until the termination of said war when he was discharged at the red house in Virginia and furloughed without date and that he the said Archibald had not drawn wages for 18 months previous to said discharge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13th day of October 1830

S/ Sion R. Bullard, JP

S/ Andrew Leach

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Georgia Pike County: Personally appeared before me Andrew Leach and after being duly sworn saith he acted in the Command of Captain in Revolutionary war with America and Great Britain in the Continental service in the 3rd Regiment in the Virginia Line and that John Davis<sup>3</sup> did enlist in his Company in Virginia on the 4th day of February 1777 during the war and served in his Company during the war and was discharged at the Red house in Virginia at the termination of said war and furloughed without date and that he the said Davis had not drawn wages for 18 months previous to said discharge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the other 18th day of October 1830 S/ Sion R. Bullard, JP S/ Andrew Leach

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Georgia Pike County: Personally appeared before me Andrew Leach and after being duly sworn saith he acted in the Command of Captain in the revolutionary war in the Continental service in the 3rd Regiment in the Virginia Line and that Thomas Taylor did enlist under his Command at Moncks Corner in South Carolina sometime in the month of December 1777 during the war and served in his company during the war and was discharged at the Red house in Virginia at the termination of the said war and furloughed without date and that he the said Thomas had not received wages for 18 months previous to said discharge.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13th day of October 1830 S/ Sion R. Bullard, JP S/ Andrew Leach Capt.

Note: C Leon Harris points out that this claim is very likely a fraudulent one in that the supporting affidavits allegedly given by a Captain Andrew Leach of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment is highly suspect. The only officer by that or any similar name who served in the Virginia Continental line was Andrew Leitch who died October 1, 1776 from wounds from wounds received September 16, 1776 on Harlem Plains.

<sup>3</sup> FPA S31642 posted in this database 7/23/13. See the Note by C. Leon Harris in that transcript.