

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of William Almond: S2031

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

I William Daniel one of the Judges of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Virginia do certify that on the tenth day of September one thousand eight hundred and eighteen in the County of Campbell and commonwealth aforesaid came personally before me William Almond of the said county and made the following declaration upon Oath, that is to say, that he the said William Almond aged about 63 years, enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1777[?] with Captain Edmund Dickerson of the 15th Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment for two years and was regularly discharged in the year 1777- That he then enlisted in Col Charles Harrisons Regiment of Artillery for one year commencing in 1778 & ending in 1779 which term he served & was regularly discharged - That he then volunteered in Captain Daniels Company, was at Gates' defeat [sic: defeat of Gen. Horatio Gates at the Battle of Camden SC, 16 Aug 1780] when he was wounded in the knee. That he was wounded in the thigh at the Battle at Germantown [4 Oct 1777]. That he was in the battle at Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Mush island fort [probably Siege of Fort Mifflin on Mud Island in the Delaware River, 10 - 15 Nov 1777] & various other skirmishes. That his discharges have been mislaid & lost. that he has now a wife & five children and is in reduced circumstances and needs the assistance of his Country for support -

The bearer hereof William Almond, was a Soldier in the 1st Va Regmt. in the service of the United States & was discharged at Valley Forge after serving the term for which he enlisted & was under the reputation of a good Soldier Given under my hand this 9th day of January 1818
J. Scott, Late a Capt'n. in the 1st Va Regmt. in the Revolu'y Army

Mr. Allman was a Soldier in the last Revolutionary war. Was in several warm engagements. He served five years, and have understood he discharged the duties attached to him, and have heard he was wounded twice

Geo. Washington

21st February 1812. [See note below.]

I certify the above to be a true copy from the original, filed in the Executive Department. W. Pleasant A.C.C.
January 28th 1818

Virginia Campbell County Sc.

On the 10th day of July 1820. personally appeared in open Court being the Court of Record for the said County, William Almond, aged sixty six years a resident in the County aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows. He enlisted as soldier early in the year 1776, in Captain Dickersons Company, in the First Virginia Regiment, in the service of the United States for the term of two years that he served the term of his Inlistment and was duly discharged the Winter of 1778, at Valey Forge in Pensylvania [sic: Valley Forge Pennsylvania]. That he again Inlisted in Captain John Carters Compy of Col. Harrisons Regiment of Artilery for the term of one year, at the expiration thereof I received my discharge at [illegible], in the state of New Jersey - that I was wounded at the Battle of Jerman Town while in the Contanental Line and afterwards at Gatess defeat while serving in the Militia, as will appear from my original declaration having date the 10th day of September 1818. and that I have received a pension by Virtue of a Certificate issued from the War department bearing date the fifth day of March 1819 Number 7176. And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818. and that I have not since that time, by gift sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of the Act of Congress Intitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land & navil service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War past

the 18th day of March 1818. and that I have not nor any person for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in a Schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed. The Schedule of my property is as follows. towit. No real Estate 1 small sarel mare (blind) worth \$30 - 1 small Bay horse[?] worth \$30 - Six head of Cattle worth \$40 - 1 Cupboard worth \$10 - and five dollars due in bad hands and the whole of which is Conveyed in trust except the \$5 for the payment of a just and Lawfull debt of \$[blank] which is still due [signed] William Almond

My family Consists of myself by Occupation a planter (and from age and natural debility now illy able to pursue the [illegible word] the calling.) My wife Susanna aged 38 years and five children living with me to wit; William, twelve years old able to labour in a small degree Catharine, Clementine Katy & Kelly, from one to ten years old.

State of Virginia

Campbell County to wit

On this 3rd day of January 1833 personally appeared before me Paulett Clark a justice of the peace for the county aforesaid William Almond a resident of said County aged Eighty years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 (Viz) That he entered the service of the united states under the following named officers and served as herein stated Edmond Dickerson Capt Charles Pellum Liut Patrick Henry Collonel tho he shortly regned being appointed Governor of Virginia [6 Jul 1776] We then were commanded by Col Isaac Read who died in Philedephia, and then Col. Hendrick [sic: James Hendricks] took command and was wounded in the Battle at germantown in the neck and myself in the thigh. I was also in the battle at Brandy wine commanded by Col. [John] Green of Culpper [sic: Culpeper] county he also commanded us at the white plains [Battle of White Plains, [28 Oct 1776] and got shot in the shoulder, and was in many other engagements in the north commanded by various officers, I was three weeks in mud Island fort commanded by Col. [Samuel] Smith (who was wouned in the hand) and other officers. I then having served two years in the term of my inlistment I got my discharge from Col Russel at the old Valley forge carried it to Richmond and put it in the audeters office kept by John Pendleton Harrison Randlph [Randolph?], and Boling Stark and I have applied for it at Richmond and Washington and was informed that it was burned when part of Ricmond was burn'd. I also put a sargents discharge in the same office given to me by general Gates. I then reenlisted in the regular army under Col. David Mason & served under John C. Carter commanded by cols Harrison and Carrington we then marched to est point fort [sic: West Point NY?] and continued there during the winter there came a call for a reinforcement to join gen'l. Gates in the south I marched in that detachment to Rugeleys mill in South Carrolina I was in Gates's defeat and saw gen'l. Decalb [sic: Baron De Kalb] kiled within twenty feet of me and was wounded and taken prisoner. I was a recruiting sargent in Richmon in 1782. and gave up the men to gen'l. Harrison

[signed] William Almond

Sworn and subscribed before me this 3rd day of Jany 1832 [sic] Paulett Clark

NOTES:

Gen. George Washington died in 1799.

A Treasury Department document states that the children of William Almond of Ohio were paid the pension owed to him from the last payment until his death on 4 Dec 1839.