Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Schools S6057 Transcribed by Will Graves f16VA 1/17/12

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State of Virginia King and Queen County

On this 10th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the County Court of King and Queen now sitting George Schools a resident of the said County of King and Queen and State of Virginia aged seventy-two years last January 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.

That he entered the service of the United States as well as his memory serves him under Captain John Pollard in the year 1779 and was born in the year 1760 in the said County of King and Oueen and State of Virginia has a record of his age now in his possession, was a resident of said County of King and Queen when called into service and has been living in said County ever since the revolutionary war. He was drafted into the militia service in the year 1779 under Captain John Pollard to the best of his recollection of the said County of King and Queen and marched from Dunkirk in the said County to Williamsburg where he remained something like one month from thence he marched to Little York under the said Pollard where he was continued in service perhaps one or two months and was discharged but was called out again some short time and marched to Hickory neck Church he thinks in James City County, remained there something like a week or ten days from thence he marched to Williamsburg again where he remained about two weeks and was discharged but did not remain at home more than two weeks when he was called again and marched to New Castle, under Captain Philip Pendleton who was then the commander of his Company and remained at that place some short time from thence he marched to a place called Holt's Forge, from thence to Hubbard's old fields in the County of Gloucester from thence about three miles lower down to a place called Woods Ordinary in said County where he was kept marching backwards and forwards until the surrender of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] at which time he was discharged, that he was in service at least six months that he knows of but two living witnesses by whom he can prove his services William Langford of Chesterfield and James Fogg¹ of King and Queen. 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. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Geo. Schools

[Thomas Grisham, and Richard Watkins gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of Virginia King & Queen County to wit

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for the County

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¹ FPA S3367

aforesaid, George Schools who being duly sworn, deposeth & saith, that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection, he served not less than the periods mentioned below, & in the following grade: For 6 months I served as a common soldier in three tours of two months each, and for such service I claim a pension, and I further state that I was called out at several other times for short periods, but as I cannot recollect the precise time I served I make no claim therefore.

This amended declaration of George Schools was subscribed & sworn to before me this 28th day of January 1833.

S/ Alex Fleet, JP

S/ Geo Schools

I James Fogg of the County of King & Queen being sworn before Lee Boulware & Reuben M. Garnett justices of the peace in the County of King & Queen do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with George Schools during the revolutionary War, who was & still continues to be a resident of King & Queen – that he did several times served as a drafted militia man during the War, making in all at least six months – that I think he entered the service under Captain John Pollard in the year 1779 & that Captain Philip Pendleton, Lieutenant Samuel Haskins & Captain Philip Taliaferro were officers from King & Queen & Colonel Holt Richeson, Colonel Matthews, Colonel Nelson & Colonel Ennis [Innis] were field officers in command at different times.

S/ James Fogg

I William Lankford² of the County of Chesterfield being first duly sworn before Anderson Edwards and George W. Cole justices of the peace for the County of Chesterfield do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with George Schools of the County of King and Queen during the period of the revolutionary war that he did several times served as a drafted militia man during that War making in all at least six months – that Captain John Pollard, Philip Pendleton, Philip Taliaferro and Lieutenant Samuel Hoskins were officers having command and field officers Colonel Matthews, Richeson, Innis, Taylor and Major Lomax. According to the best of my recollection he belonged to the third Regiment Virginia militia the dates of service I do not recollect particularly – but the said George Schools was discharged after the taking of Corn Wallace [Cornwallis, October 19, 1781] at the siege of York and is now between 70 and 75 years old. Given under my hand this 3rd day of September 1832

S/ William Langford

William Lankford

James Fogg

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² FPA S8823

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months in the Virginia militia.]