Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Anthony Winston S6390 Transcribed by Will Graves

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Virginia Louisa County: SS

On this 10th day of October 1832 personally appeared before me, one of the Judges of the Court of said County of Louisa, Anthony Winston a resident of said County and state aged eighty-two 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 7, 1832.

That when the minute service was in use in the State of Virginia he became a member of a volunteer company from Louisa [County] where he then lived, under Captain James Dabney, and served two months as Ensign of that company – marched into the lower part of the State as far as the bay shore – but his memory is as decayed that he cannot relate positively the events of this or any other service – was in no battle and recollects no event of note. That while the British Prisoners were at the Albemarle Barracks he was called out several times from the same County and performed several tours as Lieutenant in Robert Barret's [Robert Barrett's ?] Company he thinks in guarding them – that he cannot recollect the particular tours or their length but is certain he served at least six months in all – cannot recollect the circumstances – That he was again drafted when troops were wanted to go to the South and served as Lieutenant in the company from the same County under Captain Byars [probably John Byars] two months - marched to Hillsboro [North Carolina] and remained there some time to procure arms – the next thing he remembers is the battle of Camden – they were ordered not to fire but to charge that there was no gunfire as he thinks and the militia soon gave way - remembers one Colonel Stubblefield's [probably Colonel George Stubblefield's] speaking of the folly of bringing on an engagement between militia and regulars in that way and saying afterwards that he believed General Gates had been in the enemy's camp the night before the battle – remembers no other events of interest - recollects Colonels Stubblefield and Spencer [probably Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Spencer] and Major Campbell saw the regulars but cannot recollect any particulars and recollects the Fluvanna Militia under Head all of whom deserted before they reached Hillsboro but one - that when the British under Cornwallis were in Virginia he was again called out, and served as Lieutenant in Captain Byars' Company from Louisa joined the Marguis' Army at Goldmine [?] in Hanover [County], at Dandridge's it was necessary for him to take command of them, companies from Louisa, on account of the return of Captains Byars and Fox [probably John Fox] and the whole rest of Captain Phillips [possibly Richard Phillips], and they were committed to him by Colonel Dabney, he then accompanied the Army through Hanover, Caroline, Spotsylvania and Orange Counties – then through the upper end of Louisa and was present at the opening of the Marquis' road – then down again along the three [?] [indecipherable word] and old mountain roads - then into the lower Country in pursuit of the enemy, and served till the capitulation at York town – that he was in no battle being laid up with a sore leg at King William Court House

when the battle of Jamestown was fought – remembers Lafayette – Knew General Nelson and Colonel Dabney well and Colonel Stone and Major Armistead – remembers no regular or militia regiments, but does remember some of the French who fell in at King William Court House – that he received commissions but long after the war gave them to Colonel William O. Callis and never recovered them that he has no documentary evidence – that Timothy Hall is the only witness he can procure to any part of his service – that Doctor Francis Johnson and Edmund Pendleton Esquire all persons to whom he is known in his present neighborhood who can testify to his character and reputation of his service. 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.

He refers to Question

1st At Cuckooville in Louisa the 22nd day of March 1750

2nd I do not know that I have.

3rd In Louisa, – generally in the same County

4th Volunteered at one time & drafted afterwards

 5^{th} as to this question, the above declaration is true

6th I received several but do not know by whom signed and after the Revolution gave them to Colonel Callis

7th Doctor Francis Johnson, Edmund Pendleton, Doctor Joseph Pendleton & Peter S. Barret

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Anthony Winston, X his mark

[Francis Johnson and Edmund Pendleton gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Virginia Louisa County to wit

On this 12th day of October 1832 personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace for said County aforesaid Timothy Hall, a resident of the said County & as it appears to me, a credible person who being duly sworn deposeth that during the Revolutionary War he was in the service with Anthony Winston whose name is subscribed to the within declaration under Captain Phillips – the tour of which this deponent has personal knowledge, was up two months length. He believes further that said Winston performed other services, but his memory as to further facts is indistinct – & further this deponent sayeth not. Given under my hand this day & year above written.

S/W. Waddy

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$166.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 13 months service as an Ensign & Lieutenant in the Virginia militia.