Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Russel S7433 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of North Carolina Anson County: Superior Court of Law Fall Sessions 1832

On this the 19th day of September 1832 personally appeared before me Joseph J Daniel one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of law and Equity for said State now holding Court in the Court house in the Town of Wadesboro for the said County of Anson Richard Russel a resident of said County of Anson aged seventy-four 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 provision made by the acts of Congress passed June 7th 1832: That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in March 1776 in Sussex County State of Virginia a private Soldier with Captain Mason [probably Nathaniel Mason] of the Infantry in the 4th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Lawson [Robert Lawson] in General Scott's Brigade for the Term of two years. March [Marched] to Suffolk Virginia from Suffolk to Portsmouth - Captain Mason [indecipherable word] at Portsmouth I went on board of a vessel took shipping & sailed up to the head of Elk, marched from thence to Chesters and then took shipping again and sailed from thence to Trenton in the night. At Trenton – Captain Wails or Walls [probably George Walls], took command of the company to which I belonged - marched to Amboy - from Amboy - he together with others took charge of some British prisoners who had been taken at Staten Island to Philadelphia from thence returned and met Generals Washington and Stevens – with the Army at Brunswick and their he joined with his former Company & Regiment again – was now with the Grand Army and was in the following battles, to wit, At Trenton [the December 26, 1776], when the Hessians were taken prisoners – Brandywine in September 1777 [September 11, 1777] - Germantown in October of the same year [October 4, 1777] - Continued with the Army until March 1778 and was then discharged by General Scott at Valley Forge in the State of Pennsylvania - my discharge I have lost or mislaid -

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State whatever.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Richard Russel, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]