Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of John Woollard W2398 Susannah Woollard VA Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 1 June 2015.

[Punctuation corrected.]

The Certificate of John Woolard of the County of King William and State of Virginia, aged seventy two years; states upon oath, that he enlisted in the Revolutionary war, on the 14th day of September 1777. under Captain Henry Quarles of said County, and marched to little York or Yorktown in said State, and after reaching little York, he was placed under the command of Old Colo Thomas Marshall [of the Virginia Artillery Regiment] and remained under his command about one year, then he was placed under Colo Elias Edmonds, and remained under his command, about twelve or fourteen months, he was then taken sick, got a furlough, for two months, and returned home. after getting well he returned to little York. he was then placed under the command of Colo. [Charles] Porterfield and marched to Campden [sic: Camden] in South Carolina, and in a few miles of Campden we had an engagement with the British under the command of Cornwallace [sic: Cornwallis] in which engagement took place as well as he recollects, on the 17th August early in the morning 1780 [sic: 16 Aug 1780]. The whole of the Army was under the command of Gen [Horatio] Gates.

From Hilsboro in North Carolina, he was ordered to Richmond, where he got a discharge as a Continental Soldier, some time in the month of October 1780. after this, he was again ordered out as a militia soldier by Capt. Mordecai Abrahams, and marched to Holts forge in New Kent County; he was then marched to Williamsburg and placed under the command of Maj Thomas Armistead he was then marched to Hampton Elizabeth city, where he remained a short time. he was then marched back to Williamsburg and discharged, and as well as he recollects this was in the year 1781. Given under my hand this 26th day of July 1832 John hisXmark Woolard

NOTE: On 8 Feb 1853 Susannah Woollard, age about 71, applied for a pension stating that she married John Woollard in King William County VA on 16 Feb 1808, and he died there on or about 24 Sep 1832. On 11 Apr 1855 she applied for bounty land, stating that her husband died in the early fall of 1833. In the file is a copy of a bond signed in King William County on 15 Feb 1818 by John Woolard and Wm. McGeorge for the marriage of Woollard to Susannah Madison.