Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Virginia Pension Application of John Akin VAS1055

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Nansemond county June 12th 1786

This is to Certify that John Akin being a Soldier in Colo. Bufords Defeat [Abraham Buford's defeat at the Battle of Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780] by reason of his wounds Renders him incapible of getting a Living for his family we therefor hope your Honours will Entittle him to Penshon the above Solder having Lost all he had in the world by fire and is left with three small Children and your poor Petitioner Shall Ever pray &c.

from your Hum'l Servts. Josiah Riddick Rob't. Riddick [Robert Riddick]

Doct'r. Foushee is requested to view this mans Wounds & report to his Sen'r. [Patrick Henry, Governor of Virginia]

On Examination of the Bearer find he has at present a very large open ulcer on the right leg with a considera[ble] part of the Tibia caries & that he has received a number of wounds particularly about the Head, one of which has seperated a considerable part of the skull & so the man says & I think it not improbable that his senses are at times very much Injured – am of opinion that he is considerably disabled from Labouring & as he does not appear to be an Imposter, merits an allowance from his country. [William Foushee]

Henry

[?]nty &c.

This day John Consolver [pension application X165] made oath before me a magistrate for the County aforesaid, that John Aiken (who is called the Bearer) was a soldier in Capt. Wallaces [Adam Wallace's or Andrew Wallace's] Company commanded by Colo. Buford & that at Colo. Bufords defeat the said Aiken received the wounds which he at present complains of. Given under my Hand this 23^d day of June 1780 [signed] W. Foushee

I DO, with the advice of the Council, hereby certify that John Aiken of Nansemond, about 28 years of age late a Private in the detachment commanded by Colo. Buford, appears to have been disable in such a manner while in the service of The United States as to entitle him to the sum of Twelve Pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786 GIVEN under my hand at Richmond, this 28th day of June 1786

Rec'd Jan'y the 27th 1788 of Mr Thomas Adams Deputy Shariff the Contents of the within/ Jno Akin