## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Alinton VAS2205

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[The following are from bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia:]

State of Virginia Shenandoah County, to wit;

John Berry [pension application X65] being duly sworn on the Evangelists of Almighty God, says that he knew John Alinton in the revolutionary war; that he served in the Virginia line on continental establishment, in the 13<sup>th</sup> regiment and in the Company commanded by Captain Robert Bell [sic: Robert Beall BLWt431-300] & said regiment being raised & then commanded by a Col. William Crawford; that said Alinton was enlisted in the winter of 1775 & 1776 by a certain George Berry [S36411] second Lieutenant in said company commanded by said Capt Bell in the part of Virginia called the Crab Orchard in the Aleghaney [sic: Allegheny] Mountains as said Alinton then informed this affiant (and now in Preston County [now West Virginia]); that said Alinton then enlisted for three years & joined the said Company & regiment at Fort Pitt (Penn) & from thence marched with said Company & regiment in the year 1776 to the cross-roads in Pennsylvania, where they joined the American army under the command of General Washington; that the said regiment was now placed under the command of a Col William Russell & from thence they moved with the army into the state of New Jersey & from thence back to Pennsylvania - that said Alinton was in the battle of Brandywine in 1777 [11 Sep 1777] and in that of Germantown of the same year [4 Oct 1777]; in the last battle said Alinton received a wound in one of his hands from a splinter from the stock of his Gun which was shattered by a ball; that after said Alinton had received the wound he carried this affiant severely wounded out of the field of battle & afterward said Alinton accompanied this affiant to the hospital at Reading, where said Alinton remained untill he himself was reported fit for duty, when he again joined his Company & regiment, this affiant rejoined said Company & regiment at the Valley forge & here the troops and part of those of the 13th Va. regiment being transfered to the 9th Va. regiment the said 9th regiment, then commanded by Lieutent Col. Richard Campbell [BLWt347-450] were marched to Fort Pitt in the year 1778, where Col. John Gibson [S41578] took the command of said Regiment. The term of enlistment of many and particularly that of said Alinton having expired, the said Alinton again re-enlisted at that place during the war in said Company & regiment.

This affiant being now reported unfit for field or garrison service on account of his many & severe wounds, was discharged at this place & leaving there soon after, this affiant has never seen said Alinton since. This affiant says that said Allinton was a midle sized man – dark hair & had a split under lip. He was a faithful soldier, brave & always acted honorably and as such would have been discharged or was discharged for ought this affiant knows to the contrary had not he immiadiate reenlistment for the war made it unnecessary, and further this affiant saith not. John hisXmark Berry Sworn to & subscribed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October in the year 1822 before me Joseph Evans a justice of the peace in & for Shenandoah County and state of Virginia.

State of Virginia & County of Shenandoah to wit;

Jacob Allinton being duly sworn on the Evangelists of Almighty God says that he has never received nor have any others claiming as heirs to John Allinton his dead brother, to his knowledge, any land bounty from the United States or from the state of Virginia; on account of service rendered in the revolutionary war by the said John Allinton, nor did the said John Allenton in his life time to the knowledge of this deponent, receive an land bounty from the said state or the United States. and further says not.

Sworn to & subscribed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 1822, before me Joseph Evans a justice of the peace in and for Shenandoah County & state of Virginia.

Virginia Hampshire County to wit

John [undeciphered] personally appeared before me one of the Commonwealths Justices of the peace in and for the County aforesaid and [illegible word] on Oath that John Allenton died as well as he recollects some time in the year 1811, and that the said John Allenton [undeciphered word] was the brother of Jacob Allinton. This affiant further states that Hannah the wife of John Allenton is also dead and that there is no other person or persons living entitled to inherit the estate of John Allenton but Jacob Allinton his brother. Given under my hand this  $22^d$  day of October 1823 Jacob Vandiver