Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Michael Booth VAS2556

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

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

I William Simmons [S7514] of the County of Southampton do hereby certify that I was personally acquainted with Michael Booth a Serjeant in Captain Woodsons [Robert Woodson BLWt2426-300] Company of Virginia Continental Soldiers attached to Colonel Abraham Bufords [Abraham Buford S46372] detachment, ordered on a tour or expidition to the Southward in the year 1780, and was with the said Michael Booth in the famous defeat called "Bufords defeat" which happened in the month of May 1780 [Battle of Waxhaws SC, 29 May 1780], in which the said Michael Booth was very severely wounded and taken prisoner by the British, and afterwards parolled by them, and never exchanged that I ever heard of. I am fully and decidedly of Opinion from the circumstance of the said Michael Booths being in the said defeat, that he did enlist during the war; but dont know of my own personal knowledge. I know certainly that the said Michael Booth enlisted for a three years service and that he was a Serjeant. Given under my hand at my own residence in the County of Southampton this third day of April in the year 1815.

I David Mason [VAS507] of the County of Sussex late a Captain in the American Revolution do hereby certify that I was personally acquainted with Michael Booth a Soldier in the United States Service and do know that the said Michael Booth enlisted in the year 1776 for a three years Service under Captain James Mason, and continued untill some time in the fall of the year 1777 the said Michael Booth enlisted under Captain Adam Wallace [BLWt542-300] during the War and went on in the detachment ordered out to the Southward under the Command of Col. Abraham Buford and was in the battle when the said Buford was defeated, and was taken prisoner by the British and paroled by them, and never exchanged that I ever heard of – Given under my hand this sixth day of April in the year 1815 at Sussex Courthouse

David Mason Late Captain in the Continental Army

Sussex County to wit.

I Benj B. Rosser a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that Celia Fair late Celia Booth widow and relict of Michael Booth dec'd late a Soldier in the American Revolutionary War, this day appeared before me and made Oath that Peter Booth and Martha Porch are the only surviving children of the said Michael Booth dec'd – all his other children having departed this life without issue – Given under my hand this 2nd day of June 1815. Benj. B. Rosser J.P.

Card Mason