## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of Thomas Orrell VAS345 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## [From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

I Thomas Blasenham being now in my seventieth year of age, doth certify that I was well acquainted with Thomas Orrell who was a Taylor [tailor] in the Army of the revolution and workout of the public store in the City of Williamsburg for the Army for three years in succession and until the end of the war and while he was on his way to Richmond after the war to get his pay he was murdered and found dead in the road by Captain Crawley as witness my hand and seal this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1832.

S/ Thos. Blasenham, X his mark