Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Davis VAS407 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From pension records in the Library of Virginia]

[Transcriber's note: I think it probable that this veteran and <u>Charles Davis VAS749</u> are one and the same man.]

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Andluper's [?] Comp^y [Company]

wait [with?] the Governor, on examining the wound of Chas. Davis He finds the Wound upon the forearm has divided Several of the Muscles essentially necessary towards the perfection [?] of his hand—and should suppose him a person in some measure worthy [of] the Governer's clemency.

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Charles Davis was admitted to the Pension List 27th October 85 by the Executive – Allowed £6

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Colo. Meriwether

I do, with the advice of Council, hereby certify that Charles Davis of Culpeper, about 30 years of age, late a Private in the first Regiment of Light Dragoons appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the service of the United States as to enable him to the sum of Six Pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786.

Given under my hand at Richmond, this 4th day of November 1786 S/ P. Henry

Herry

Culpeper County Court February Court 1789

has the following entry for a veteran named Charles Davis:

It appearing to the Court that Charles Davis was a resident of this County and that his Warrant allowing him a pension of Six pounds per annum is recorded in this Court, And that there is two years pay due him, They do therefore order that the Sheriff pay twelve pounds to the said Davis according to law.

A copy John Jamieson, [indecipherable]

1789 February 16th received the above pension of Mr. William Wallin [?] in full pr me. S/ Charles Davis

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Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, Revolutionary War Pensions Awarded by State Governments 1775-1874, the General and Federal Governments Prior to 1814, and by Private Acts of Congress to 1905, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Company, 2011

"Davis, Charles. Va. Pvt. He was awarded a £500 gratuity 9 Nov. 1780. He was in Albemarle County in October 1785. He was pensioned at the rate of 6 pounds per annum during his disability on 27 Oct. 1785. He was 30 years old and in Culpeper County on 4 Nov. 1786 when he was continued on the roll at the rate of 16 pounds per annum. He had been wounded in his forearm and served in the 1st Light Dragoons at Col. Buford's defeat.* He died 1 February 1807."

* May 29, 1780, Battle of the Waxhaws or Buford's Defeat. Since the 1st Virginia Regiment of Light Dragoons is not thought to have at Buford's Defeat, it seems more like this veteran was serving under Lt. Col. Anthony Walton White at Lenud's Ferry, May 6, 1780.