Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty-Land Application of Alexander Harrison BLWt1884-100 VA
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State of Virginia

County of Accomack \ [13 Sep 1832]

I Charles Booth heir at law of Alexander Harrison do upon my oath declare and testify, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the said Alexander Harrison did enlist in or about 1780 for the term of during the War and served in the Regiment, No. 11 in a company commanded by Capt Tho. Parker [Thomas Parker], under Maj. John Poulson & under the command of Colonel (unknown) which said Company of Infantry belonged to the Virginia troops of the Continental line, and that he continued in the service until he died, just before the war ended, or upon his return home — [Power of Attorney follows.]

Accomack County Virginia September 13th 1832

I certify that this day Bowdoin Snead [or Bowden Snead, pension application W4810] aged upwards of 70 years & who is a man of respectability & entitled to full confidence in all his statements personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace in & for said County & made oath that he was well acquainted with Alexander Harrison of the County, & that said Harrison enlisted some time about 1780 in the Continental Line of Va. troops to serve to end of the War, & that it was always said & believed that he died coming home. Also that it was the same Alexander Harrison of whom Charles Booth, Scarborough Melson & Tabitha Snead are heirs at law.

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

The deposition of Bowdoin Snead aged about seventy two years who states that he was well acquainted with Alexander Harrison in the Revolutionary War – that said Harrison got into a drunken frolic sometime after the Revolutionary War had commenced & about the time some other troops were marching from this County & said Alexander Harrison enlisted to serve during the whole of the War and marched to the northward and never returned & it was always said & understood that he died in the Army [31 Dec1831]

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John Charnock Sen'r. [S38598] a Revolutionary Pensioner of the US & who is a credible witness came before me & made oath that he served a tour of 18 months in Capt Tho. Parkers Com'y of the 11th Va. Reg't. of Infantry on Continental Establishment & that Alexander Harrison enlisted in said Company "during the War" & served till the War ended, or died about the close of the War. Witness my hand & seal this 22^d Sep'r. 1832 at Accomack County

Spencer Kellam [W1178] a Revolutionary pensioner of the U.S. & who is a man of the strictest truth & veracity & of good memory came before me & made oath that he served out a tour of 18 months in Capt Thos. Parkers Co'y. of the 11th Va. Reg't. in the Virginia Cont'l. line in the Revolutionary War, & that Alexander Harrison served in said Company as a soldier till the end of the War or died about the time the War ended. Witness my hand & seal this 22^d Sep'r. 1832 at Accomack Co Va.

Department of War/ Bounty Land Office/ Oct'r 16th 1832

I certify that the name of Alexander Harrison is returned on the records of the Virginia Continental line on file in this Department, as a private of Infantry in said line, and as having inlisted for, and continued to

serve to the close of the Revolutionary War

Wm. Gordon First Clerk

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Cumberland Old Courthouse lists Alex'r. Harrison/ age 19/ height 5' 5"/ fair complexion/ born and residing in Accomack County. Enlisted in Northumberland County on 6 Jan 1782 for the duration of the war. Deceased.