Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Allgood (Algood) R153 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

[The following declaration is an amended version of one dated 3 Sep 1832. The major differences in the original declaration are 1) the applicant's surname is spelled Allgood; 2) his age is given as 81 years and 3 months; and 3) times of service and answers to the interrogatories were not included.]

The Declaration of John Algood senor a revolutionary soldier at the Inferior Court of Walton County. July (Called) term Eighteen hundred and thirty three in Order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832. On this twelfth day of July Eighteen hundred & thirty three personally appeared before the honourable Inferior Court of said County of Walton the same being a Court of Record John Algood a Resident in said County of walton & state of Georgia aged Eighty one years & Eleven months who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed the seventh June Eighteen hundred & thirty two That he was drafted in the state troops or militia of Virginia for the term of three months in the year Seventeen hundred & seventy eight about the fifteenth of Nover, under Captain William Lewcus [sic: William Lucas], and started from Mclenburg [sic: Mecklenburg] County Virginia where this deponent resided to head quarters near Portsmouth but was remanded on the twenty fifth of same month so we did not reach the regular army but was remanded & discharged though no written discharge was given which term was ten days. And the said John further declares that in the next year 1779 about the first day of October as near as recollected he was summoned by Jennings Burrell to go from Mclenburgh County Virginia under Captain William Pinter down to Petersburgh [sic: Petersburg] in Virginia to carry provisions and was gone fifteen days and was again discharged the fifteenth day of October in the same year 1779 but none given us in writing

And the said John further declares that on the first or second day of January 1781 he was drafted in the virgin state troops under Captain Asa Oliver and served under the following named officers General Mulenburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] Col. Flemmon [sic: Fleming]. Major Beens Jones [sic: Binns Jones]. Sargant Major Richard Easter. Captain Asa Oliver. John Bebel ensign. the other inferior officers not recollected at this late period of time. And this deponent declares that he left the service the fifth or sixth day of Aprile in the same year makeing his last tour Three months and four days – and the said John further declares that when he was drafted as last aforesaid he resided in McLenburg as aforesaid, and that he was in no special Engagement but was at Portsmouth at a small skirmish. And he further declares that while in the service as last aforesaid he marched from McLenburg County Virginia through Brunswick Essex & Surry counties in the same &c on to Cabbin Point [sic: Cabin Point on James River in Surry County] where we remained two months or thereabouts from thence to portsmouth where we remained a short time. from thence up Nancyman [sic: Nansemond] River where this deponant was taken ill and left the army by the advice of his Commander as he was afflicted with the Rheumatick pains. but as he left the army he was given no regular discharge but the army were disbanded about the middle of April in the same month this deponant left it.

And the said John declares that on the Tenth day of August in the same year towit in 1781 he was again drafted & entered the service under Captain Killis Jeffries [sic: Achilles Jeffries] under the Command of Col. Lew Burrell [sic: Lewis Burwell]. Col Walker Killis Jeffries Capt the other officers not recollected at this time and this deponent continued to reside in Mclenburgh County virginia when he entered the service last aforesaid. And that he left the service the twenty fourth day of October as near as he can recollect as he left the service two or three days before Wallis was taken which was on the 27th October in the same year 1781 [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] and being from the tenth day of August until the twenty

fourth of Octob two months & fourteen days. And while in the service as last aforesaid he from McLenburgh County Virg. through Lunenburgh [sic: Lunenburg] Nottaway [sic: Nottoway] Amelia Denwiddie [sic: Dinwiddie] to petersburg from thence below Petersburgh but the other Counties through which he marched he dose not now recollect, but was lawfully disbanded by Col. Walker on the twenty fourth of October as aforesaid And he further states that he went in the service for three months but as he was afflicted with the Rheumatic pains he left the service before his time had expired a few days. And he further states that he was not in any special engagement during his last services, and that in all his services includeing the four tours he served the term of Six months & thirteen days in all, &c. This deponent by way of further amendment declares that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below as a private the first tour in 1778 was ten days the second in the year 1779 fifteen days the third to wit in the year 1781 Three months and four days. the 4th tour two months and fourteen days – makeing in all the term of Ten months & thirteen days - and for such service I claim a pension, and this deponant further states that so far as he knows he was called into service by competent authority that he served in the field and for the time during which the service was performed he was not employed in any civil pursuit. And this deponant hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any states.

To the first Interrogatory prescribed by the war department he answers that he was born on the twelfth day of may in the year 1751 in Richmond County Virginia between Rappahannock & Potomac To the 2 Int. He has a record of his age in his Bible at Home.

- 3. He lived in McLenburg County Virginia when called into service each time. from there in 1788 he removed to Elbert County Georgia then to Walten County Georgia in 1826 where he now resides
- 4. He answers he was drafted. the Company district to which he belonged or in which he lived was taken down and numbers drawn and numbers from ten to one were drafted and this deponent drew No one.
- 5th He. General Mulenburg. Col Flemmn... for fourth answer he refers to the body of his declaration as he recollects no other regiments than the one he belonged & dose not recollect the number of his regiments.
- 6. He neve received a regular discharge from the service as in consequence of his being frequently in bad health he had to quit the army before his full time for which he was called out was up. but he received two furloughs for his two last terms of service

7th He refers to Isaac Rosser Nathaniel Butler Charles ferguson James Ferguson Esqr. Absalom B. Grange Benjamin Harris John Carter William Bently & John Scott

He further states that he has no documentary evidence whereby to establish his claim and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure except Nathaniel Butlers whose affidavit is annexed &c.

John hisXmark Algood