Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Overline¹ R20172 Transcribed by Will Graves

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February 3, 1829 Received from the Secretary of War Military Warrant Number 1466 for one hundred acres of land issued to William Overline a private of the Virginia Continental line in the Revolutionary war

William Overline
William Overline

State of Virginia Bedford County

I William Overline aged 70 years do upon oath testify and declare that in the year 1778 I enlisted for the term of during the war and served in Regiment number 14 under the command of Colonel Davis of the Virginia line on Continental establishment and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the year 1783 when I was regularly discharged from the 14th Regiment commanded by Colonel William Davis.

I further declare that I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to me on the part of the United States nor have I ever transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever Elizabeth Chapman

S/ John Overline, X his mark

I Nathaniel Chapman aged 70 years do upon oath testify and declare that I have been long acquainted with William Overline who has subscribed the above declaration in my presence and well know that he is the identical person he therein represents himself to be; and I further know & do believe that he did perform the military service therein stated.

Elizabeth Chapman S/ Nathaniel Chapman

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[The above documents attested in Bedford County Virginia December 4, 1828]

State of Virginia County of Bedford

I William Overline of Bedford County & State of Virginia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the revolution for & during the War & continued

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in its service until its termination at which period I was a private in Captain Arbuckle's Company of the 14th Regiment of the Virginia Continental line, I also declare that I afterwards received the reward of \$80, to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed 15th of May 1778, & I declare that I was not, on the 15 day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States.

Witness my hand this 28th day of November 1828.

S William Overline, X his mark

State of Virginia County of Bedford

John Stephens aged 78 years being duly sworn according to law deposeth & saith that he was a Sergeant in the 14 Regiment & was well acquainted with William Overline from the latter part of the year 1778 until the general disbanding of the Armies in the year 1783 at which time the said William Overline was honorably discharged or furloughed with the whole of said Regiment at Richmond in the State of Virginia. Deponent further saith that he purchased the said William Overline's Claim to a bounty of land was due him from the [state] of Virginia & that in order to draw the same the said William Overline gave this Deponent his discharge in the fall of 1783 & that he this deponent sent the discharge to Richmond which deponent believes it is now on file in the Auditor's Office & further saith not.

S/ John Stephens

Revolutionary Claims Treasury Department, 29 January 1829

William Overline of __ in the County of Bedford in the State of Virginia has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Arbuckle's Company, in the 14th regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary S/ F. A. Dickins

A man of the same name in the Virginia Line having already been found entitled, the Auditor will please to cause an investigation to be made to see whether 2 persons of the name are returned as entitled to the reward of \$80

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
3rd February 1829

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to __ in the ___

It further appears that William Overline is not now on the pension list of any agency, and

has not been so since the 3rd March 1826 — at the rate of ___ dollars per month.

There is only one man by the name of William Overline to whom a Certificate for the reward of \$80 was issued in the Virginia line —

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

General Land Office 12 February 1829

It appears from the List of Warrants issued by the Register of the Land Office at Richmond Virginia that William Overlin is stated to have been a Soldier for the War and as such a Warrant for 200 acres of Land was issued in his name.

S/ G. W. Graham, Commissioner