Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Elijah Griffin R4307

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State of Virginia } Sc Mecklenburg County }

On this 15th day of February 1836 personally appeard in open Court before John Davis Benjamin W Coleman George Tany & Rich'd H Walker the Court of Mecklenburg now sitting Elijah Griffin resident of Mecklenburg County & State of Virginia aged seventy five years who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated in the Month of February 1781 he resided in Hallifax [sic: Halifax] County & State of Virginia, he was then drafted – detailed to march on the lower part of Virginia – he rendevous at portsmouth under the Command of Captain Stanfield [possibly Marmeduke Stanfield] and Colon. Rogers [possibly Peter Rogers] – he was in a short time transferd of Stanfied to Long and from Long to Capt. [Richard] Gaines and was discharged by Capt. Gains in April 1781 as pr certificate here to annexed. In the month of September following he was drafted and detached to march on the lower part of Virginia he marched under command of Captain Faulconer [probably John Falkner] - he marched from Hallifax Courthouse through Petersburg by the way of James Town to Williamsburg in Virginia & from there to York Town – he was there stationed untill the surrender of the British Army in York Town [19 Oct 1781] - he was then dischared & returned home in November in the same year he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity but the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State – he has no documentary evidence of his having entered the service, or of his having been discharged from the service in his second tower of duty Elijah hisXmark Griffin

This is to Certify that Elijah Grifin Militia Solder from Halifax County is Discharg'd. of his Tower of Duty of three months

Apr the 9th 1781 [Capt. Richard Gaines]

NOTES:

Wallis Wilson (pension application S6418) and Robert W. Fitz (S8475) stated that they served with Griffin on the second tour of duty.

Griffin's claim was rejected because he did not serve at least six months.