Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Thomas Lane R6138

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State of Virginia }
County of Surry } SS

On this 25th day of August 1834 personally appeared in open Court of the County of Surry Now sitting, Thomas Lane, resident of the County of Surry, and State of Virginia, aged Eighty two 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 a drafted Militia man some time in the year 1776 under Coln. Allen Cocke, and marched to Smithfield was in service there at least six weeks and returned home. Some time after entered the service again under Lieut James Davis, and was station on Grays Creek in the s'd. County of Surry and served at least six weeks. Some time after entered the service again under s'd. Lieut James Davis and was marched to Williamsburg and Continued in service at least six weeks or more Near the close of the war entered the service Capt. William Hart and Lieut. Stephen Soesberry, and marched to Southque, and there joined Coln. Wells & Maj'r Boykins Army, from Southque [probably South Quay now in Suffolk City] marched to Portsmouth, and from Portsmouth up James River to the Berry Church and continued there untill the Battle was over at Little york [sic: Siege of Yorktown, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781] and then marched to Surry Courthouse and was discharged, And knows he was in the service at that time more than six weeks, And know the whole time he served to be more than six months; That he has no documentary Evidence but Mr. Jesse King [pension application S5559] whose testimony he can procure will testify to his services.

The following questions were asked by the Court,

1st. Where and in what year were you born

Ans'r. In the County of Surry, State of Virginia, and was born in the year 1751

2nd. Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it

Ans'r. I have my register and at home

3rd. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live

Ans'r. I was living in the County of Surry and State of Virginia at that time I now live there and have lived there ever since

- 4. How were you called into service, were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute. Ans'r. I was drafted
- 5. State the names of some of the regular officers, who were with the troops where you seved, such Continental and Militia Regiments as you can recollect

Ans'r. I do not recollect the name of any regular officer or Regiment

- 6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service
 - Ans'r. No Written discharge
- 7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighbourhood, and who can testify as to your character and veracity and their belief of your service as a soldier of the revolution Ans'r Hartwell Savidge & Jesse King

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state;

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

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