## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

## Pension application of John Phillips R8201 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Note: the first page of the digital images of the application of the veteran does not appear in the Fold3.com version of this file. The following transcript was made from the Ancestry.com digital images.]

At a Court held for Accomack County on the 28th day of October 1832

John Phillips of the County of Accomack, this day personally appeared in Court and made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1832, viz.

"State of Virginia, County of Accomack Sc. On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court, before the Justices of the County Court of the County of Accomack aforesaid, now sitting, John Phillips a resident of the County aforesaid, in the State aforesaid aged about seventy 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 7 1832: That he does not recollect at what precise time he entered the service of the State of Virginia in the Militia of the said state but thinks that he was enrolled as soon as he became old enough for that purpose during the Revolutionary War; that he verily believes & therefore is willing to declare that he continued in the said service upwards of two years; that he served in a company commanded by Captain William Polk and attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel William Parramore, and that Major Savage [perhaps Richard Savage] was a Major belonging to the said Regiment, that he never received a written discharge, but remained in service until the end of the Revolutionary War; that he was stationed the most of his time on Watchaproague [Wachapreague] near the sea coast, in the said County of Accomack, but frequently marching from place to place whenever and wherever his services were required and his officers directed; that he resided in the said County of Accomack when he entered the said service and has ever since and still does reside there, that he did not act as a substitute; that the 9<sup>th</sup> Regiment on Continental establishment was stationed in the County of Accomack a short time before it marched to the North, that he was acquainted with Colonel Levin Joynes, Colonel John Cropper & Major Thomas Parker, who were attached to said Regiment; that he was born in the [year] 1762 [last digit unclear could be "3" or some other number] in the said County of Accomack, and that he is known to Isaac Smith, Levin S. Joynes, Benjamin Colonna and John G Joynes who reside in his neighborhood & can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution; that he has no documentary evidence of his services and no record of his age, except one made by himself from information furnished him by his parents

and that is now in his possession – 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 and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Phillips"

[Levin S Joynes and Benjamin Colonna gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

I Benjamin Colonna<sup>1</sup> of Accomack County and State of Virginia aged eighty-nine years a Revolutionary Soldier do hereby certify that I lived in the immediate neighborhood of and was well acquainted with John Phillips; and I am positively certain that he served in the Revolutionary War.

He was in the Company commanded by Captain William Polk, attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Parramore. To my certain knowledge all of the militia Companies in this Connie were frequently called out to guard and defend exposed situations in the County. From my knowledge of the service of the company commanded by Captain Polk, I am confident John Phillips was on the military duty more than two years, but of the exact time he was in service, I cannot after this long lapse of time say with accuracy.

S/ Benjamin Colonna

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[attested in Accomack County Virginia March 22, 1851]

At a Court held for Accomack County on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 1851

It is ordered to be certified that it appears to the court by satisfactory evidence that John Phillips an applicant for a pension under the Act of June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 died on or about the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1848, that he left no widow, that William P Moore Senior is his Executor, and that the following named persons are his heirs – to wit, Levin W. Phillips, Hetty Bradford and Susan Phillips.

At a Court held for Accomack County on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 1851

It appears to the Court by satisfactory evidence, that John Phillips was a resident of this County, and died in the same, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 1848; That at the time of his death he left neither widow or child, and that William P Moore, Senior is his Executor.

[Note: The following affidavit was misfiled in the file relating to R8202 John Phillips. The page reference is to the Fold3.com version of the R8202 file.]
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I Curtis Bull a Revolutionary Soldier and a pensioner of the United States, do hereby certify I was well acquainted with John Phillips. He served in the Company of Captain William Polk, which was attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Parramore. I know Mr. Phillips perform military duty in the Revolutionary war. I served with him in keeping guard at the "Block House" on "Jolly Creek" – Mr. Phillips went into Court the same year that I did to prove his claim. I believe John Phillips justly entitled to a pension as any man in the Country. How long John Phillips was in the service I will not now undertake to say; but from my

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recollection of his service I am satisfied he must have been on duty 2 years. I have lived in the County with Mr. Phillips all of my life and I know he was regarded by others as a Revolutionary Soldier and as one entitled to a pension.

Test: S/A. A. Watkins

S/ Curtis Bull, X his mark

S/ Jas. H. White

[attested in Accomack County Virginia March 21, 1857 by Shalmaneser Davis, JP]