Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Ambrose Armstrong S14921 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris

State of Kentucky Fayette county Sct

On this 24 day of Sept 1832 personnally appeared in open court, before me Thomas M. Hickey Circuit Judge for said county Ambrose Armstrong a resident of said county & state aged seventy two years past, 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 June 7 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year [blank] about three years before Lord Cornwallis was taken [19 Oct 1781], – with O. P. Davenport [sic: Obediah Davenport, called Opie Davenport] as Capt. & Col. [Charles] Porterfield commanding the State of Virginia garrison at Old Williamsburg and served three years in said Regiment – including a short time he was a prisoner, having been taken by the British, while guarding some country military stores, at Woodsons Mills on South prong of James River, about 20 miles above the point of forks of said river [at its junction with Fluvanna River]. I was exchanged in July of the same year that said Lord Cornwallis was taken.

He was on the Glocester [sic: Gloucester] side under Maj'r Baytoss or some such name [Baytop], when Cornwallis was taken at York.

He was living in Essex county Virginia when he enlisted & marched from there to Old Williamsburg — He obtained a discharge & sold it to Frank Graves of the same Regt. to enable him to draw his land. He has been living in this county more than thirty years.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Sworn to & subscribed, the day & year aforesaid. Ambrose hisXmark Armstrong