Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Charles Pegg (Pigg) S17633
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State of Alabama Madison County

On this first day of November in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Circuit Court of said County of Madison now sitting Charles Pigg [sic], a resident of said County, aged sixty-eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make and subscribe 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 and served as herein stated. That in the beginning of the month of April 1781, this affiant, being then a resident of the County of King William in the State of Virginia, was drafted as a minute man from the militia of said State into the company commanded by Captain Robert Drury [?], and into the 87th regiment under the command of Colonel Benjamin Temple, when, immediately this applicant was ordered with his Regiment to march to Williamsburg, from thence they were ordered to Hanover town, on the Pamunkey River, to observe the approach of the British and Tories, to prevent them from burning the place. At that place, they met the Enemy, and this affiant was in the skirmish that took place there, but they could not prevent the destruction of the Town. They were next ordered to Gloucester to prevent the British from crossing over the River from York Town to that place. There they had two skirmishes with the Enemy in opposing their attempts to cross, in both of which this affiant was present. At this last mentioned place his said Regiment, with some others, was stationed until the taking of Lord Cornwall [Lord Cornwallis, October 19, 1781], and this was affiant was present and assisting in that glorious event. That after Cornwallis was captured and sometime about the last of October 1781 he returned home with the rest of the militia, that he received no discharge, leaving the war then to be ended he only thought of getting home. Affiant further states that he was in the service from the first of April until the latter part of October a term of more than 6 months in continuation.

This affiant will further state, that from the information given him when young, by his family, he was born in King William County in the State of Virginia in the year 1764, that he has no documentary evidence and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service. He further states, that he knew General Washington who commanded at Your Town, and General Lafayette who was one officer in the regular Army, he knew General Henry Young of the Virginia Militia. 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.

This affiant also answers to the interrogatories that he was born in King William County in Virginia in the year 1764. That he has no record of his age. That he resided in Virginia until six years ago when he removed to Tennessee where he lived two years, and from thence to

Madison County Alabama where [he] has resided two years. That he entered the service by a draft as above stated, and served more than six months, and returned home without any written discharge. This affiant will now state the names of persons to whom he is known in his neighborhood and in Madison County, who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution to wit Richard Ellitt, John Simpson, Andrew Lively, Joseph McCutchen,

This affiant further states, that he resides in quite a remote part of this County, and does not know of a stationed Clergyman residing 12 miles of him and from his limited acquaintance with gentleman of that character, since his residence here, he does [not] feel authorized to call upon any of them for a certificate.

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[Richard Ellett gave a standard supporting affidavit. Joseph McCutchen & John Simpson also gave a standard supporting affidavits.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the Virginia service.]