Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Burbage S17868 fn16SC
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State of South Carolina Charleston District: To wit

On this eighteenth day of March the year 1834 personally appeared in open Court before the District Court of the United States for South Carolina District now sitting, Thomas Burbage a resident of the Parish of Goose Creek in the District of Charleston in the State aforesaid aged seventy-four 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 the 7th 1832. That he entered the service of his country at the age of seventeen in the spring of the year 1776 in the company of Captain H. Richbourg [?] attached to the Rifle Regiment under the command of General Sumter, then Colonel Sumter, under his command he went into the Cherokee country and was present at a battle with the Indians, that they then went into the State of Georgia, after McGirt [Daniel McGirt], and had a fight with the Indians over the Altamaha [River], where the latter were again defeated, That he then returned into Carolina with the troops and they were dismissed near the Santee River in the neighborhood of Sumter's Residence. This service continued sixteen months: After the this discharge in about six months, he again enlisted in the company of Captain Charles Motte attached to the 2nd Regiment of South Carolina troops under the command of Colonel Marion -- was for some time stationed at Sullivan's Island, marched from Sullivan's Island to Savannah was present at the attack made by the American troops upon that place. That Captain Charles Motte who had just been commissioned Major was killed in the battle, and Captain Thomas Shubrick succeeded him in the command of the Company. After the battle of Savannah he returned with his company and Regiment to Charleston, though it was very much reduced. That the 2nd Regiment on the morning of the Battle of Savannah mustered 132 privates fit for duty who went into the fight and there were 74 killed & wounded out of their number, that he was not more than fifty yards from Pulaski when he was wounded. That after his return to Charleston he remained there until it was surrendered to the British, performing his duty as a private in the above mentioned Regiment, that he was fourteen months a prisoner on board of the prison Ships, was exchanged at Jamestown in the State of Virginia, That he then received his discharge from Captain Shubrick (the original of which accompanies this application) and immediately returned to South Carolina and again engaged in the Service being drafted and attached to the Company of Captain William Brown, which was a part of Marion's Brigade, and continued in that company and afterwards in the

company of Captain Dukes in same Regiment to the end of the war, and was finally discharged when peace was declared -- that this service was at least six months. That he knew General Lincoln, having served under him at the battle of Savannah and at the Siege of Charleston. 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. When he first enlisted he was living on Black River what was then Camden District now Sumter District that since the War of the Revolution he has resided in Goose Creek parish. He can refer to the Rev. Mr. Manly, Barnard Bee Esqr. and my neighbors generally for my character for veracity and correct conduct. (T. Burbage)

T. B. , his mark

[Daniel Sheppard, a clergyman, and Charles M. Furman gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

The within named Thomas Burbage hath received no pay since the first day of November One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy Nine as appears by the Pay Masters account

July 22 1781 Thos. Shubrick hath served the term for which he was enlisted in the same with fidelity to the United States of America and honor to himself and is therefore entitled to a discharge.

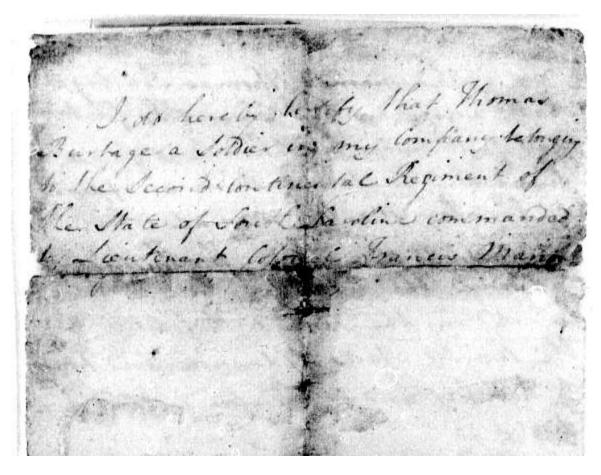
Given under my hand and Seal at Williamsburgh in the State of Virginia this twenty eighth day of July One thousand Seven hundred and Eighty one and in the Sixth year of American Independence

> Thos Shubrick Capt. 2nd Cont. Regt. of So. Caro. [reverse]

I do hereby Certify that Thomas Burbage a Soldier in my Company belonging to the Second Continental Regiment of the State of South Carolina commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Francis Marion

The within named Thomas Surlag hath were the first day of to der for thousand hundred and Sevente Mine as a by the Jay Martan account horio the less for which white in the same with fidelite to the Writer Mates of Imerica and homer A himself and is therefore outiled to a discharge Guen under me hand and vent as Their break with Nate of hedging This wente eighth day of July the thousand the well your of American Side penden see the back and Block legel

[reverse]



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two years service as a private in the South Carolina line.]